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"The Destruction of the Temple at Jerusalem" by Nicolas Poussin (1637)

This information came from Alberto Rivera, former Jesuit priest after his conversion to Protestant

Christianity. It is excerpted from "The Prophet," published by Chick Publications, PO Box 662, Chino CA 91708. Since its publication, after several unsuccessful attempts on his life, he died suddenly from food poisoning. His testimony should not be silenced. Dr. Rivera speaks to us still ...

"What I'm going to tell you is what I learned in secret briefings in the Vatican when I was a Jesuit priest, under oath and induction. A Jesuit cardinal named Augustine Bea showed us how desperately the Roman Catholics wanted Jerusalem at the end of the third century. Because of its religious history and its strategic location, the Holy City was considered a priceless treasure. A scheme had to be developed to make Jerusalem a Roman Catholic city.

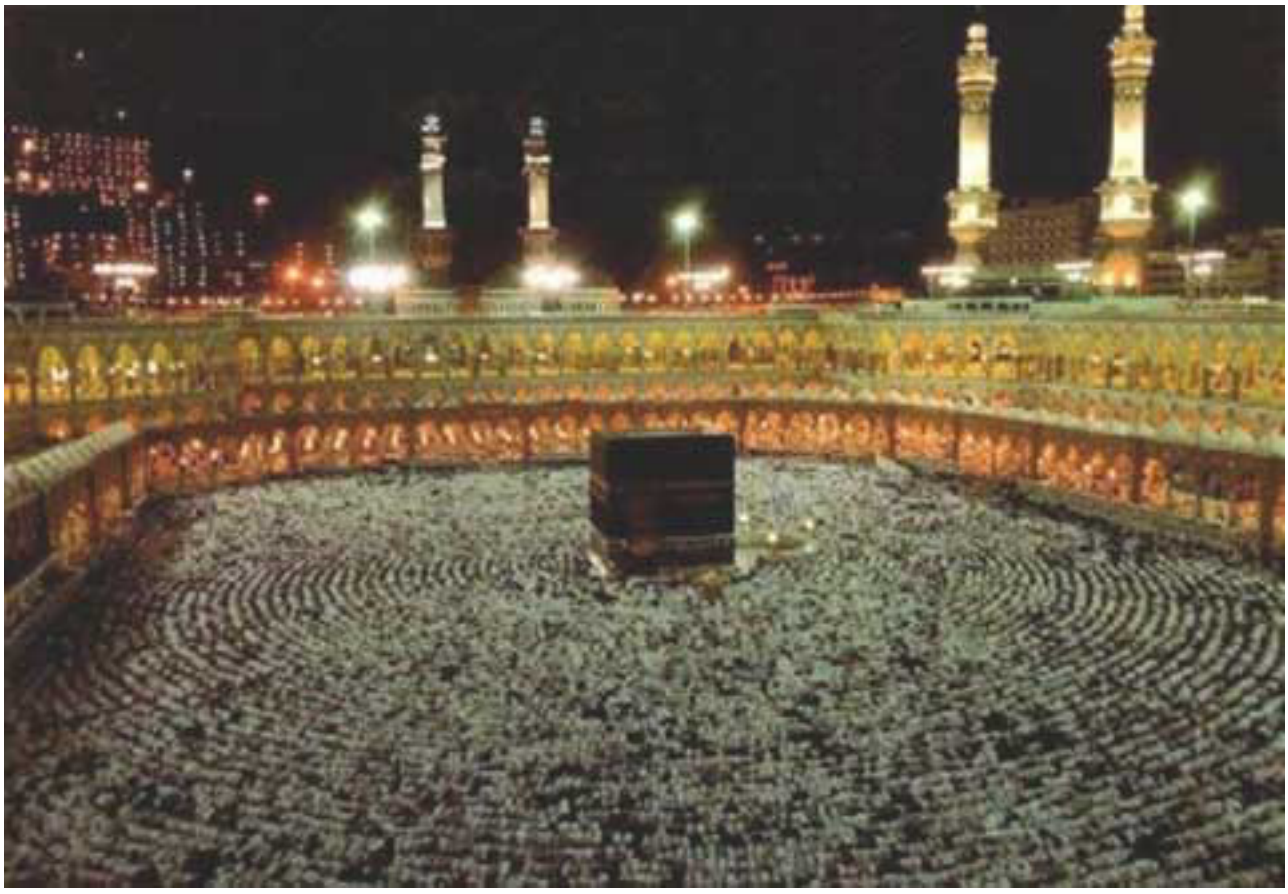
"The great untapped source of manpower that could do this job was the children of Ishmael. The poor Arabs fell victim to one of the most clever plans ever devised by the powers of darkness. Early Christians went everywhere with the gospel setting up small churches, but they met heavy opposition. Both the Jews and the Roman government persecuted the believers in Christ to stop their spread. But the Jews rebelled against Rome, and in 70 AD, Roman armies under General Titus smashed Jerusalem and destroyed the great Jewish temple which was the heart of Jewish worship...in fulfillment of Christ's prophecy in Matthew 24:2.

"On this holy placed today where the temple once stood, the Dome of the Rock Mosque stands as Islam's second most holy place. Sweeping changes were in the wind. Corruption, apathy, greed, cruelty, perversion and rebellion were eating at the Roman Empire, and it was ready to collapse. The persecution against Christians was useless as they continued to lay down their lives for the gospel of Christ.

"The only way Satan could stop this thrust was to create a counterfeit "Christian" religion to destroy the work of God. The solution was in Rome. Their religion had come from ancient Babylon and all it needed was a face-lift. This didn't happen overnight, but began in the writings of the 'early church fathers'.

"It was through their writings that a new religion would take shape. The statue of Jupiter in Rome was eventually called St. Peter, and the statue of Venus was changed to the Virgin Mary. The site chosen for its headquarters was on one of the seven hills called 'Vaticanus', the place of the diving

serpent where the Satanic temple of Janus stood.
"The great counterfeit religion was Roman Catholicism, called 'Mystery, Babylon the Great, the Mother of Harlots and Abominations of the Earth'- Revelation 17:5. She was raised up to block the gospel, slaughter the believers in Christ, establish religions, create wars and make the nations drunk with the wine of her fornication as we will see.
"Three major religions have one thing in common - each has a holy place where they look for guidance. Roman Catholicism looks to the Vatican as the Holy City. The Jews look to the wailing wall in Jerusalem, and the Muslims look to Mecca as their Holy City. Each group believes that they receive certain types of blessings for the rest of their lives for visiting their holy place. In the beginning, Arab visitors would bring gifts to the 'House of God', and the keepers of the Kaaba were gracious to all who came. Some brought their idols and, not wanting to offend these people, their idols were placed inside the sanctuary. It is said that the Jews looked upon the Kaaba as an outlying tabernacle of the Lord with veneration until it became polluted with idols.



The Kaaba, Mecca. Image from: webislam.com

"In a tribal contention over a well(Zamzam) the treasure of the Kaaba and the offerings that pilgrims had given were dumped down the well and it was filled with sand - it disappeared. Many years later Adb Al-Muttalib was given visions telling him where to find the well and its treasure. He became the hero of Mecca, and he was destined to become the grandfather of Muhammad. Before this time,

Augustine became the bishop of North Africa and was effective in winning Arabs to Roman Catholicism, including whole tribes. It was among these Arab converts to Catholicism that the concept of looking for an Arab prophet developed.

"Muhammad's father died from illness and sons born to great Arab families in places like Mecca were sent into the desert to be suckled and weaned and spend some of their childhood with Bedouin tribes for training and to avoid the plagues in the cities.

"After his mother and grandfather also died, Muhammad was with his uncle when a Roman Catholic monk learned of his identity and said, "Take your brother's son back to his country and guard him against the Jews, for by god, if they see him and know of him that which I know, they will construe evil against him. Great things are in store for this brother's son of yours."

"The Roman Catholic monk had fanned the flames for future Jewish persecutions at the hands of the followers of Muhammad. The Vatican desperately wanted Jerusalem because of its religious significance, but was blocked by the Jews.

"Another problem was the true Christians in North Africa who preached the gospel. Roman Catholicism was growing in power, but would not tolerate opposition. Somehow the Vatican had to create a weapon to eliminate both the Jews and the true Christian believers who refused to accept Roman Catholicism. Lookng to North Africa, they saw the multitudes of Arabs as a source of manpower to do their dirty work. Some Arabs had become Roman Catholic, and could be used in reporting information to leaders in Rome. Others were used in an underground spy network to carry out Rome's master plan to control the great multitudes of Arabs who rejected Catholicism. When 'St Augustine' appeared on the scene, he knew what was going on. His monasteries served as bases to seek out and destroy Bible manuscripts owned by the true Christians.

"The Vatican wanted to create a messiah for the Arabs, someone they could raise up as a great leader, a man with charisma whom they could train, and eventually unite all the non-Catholic Arabs behind him, creating a mighty army that would ultimately capture Jerusalem for the pope. In the Vatican briefing, Cardinal Bea told us this story:

'A wealthy Arabian lady who was a faithful follower of the pope played a tremendous part in this drama. She was a widow named Khadijah. She gave her wealth to the church and retired to a convent, but was given an assignment. She was to find a brilliant young man who could be used by the Vatican to create a new religion and become the messiah for the children of Ishmael. Khadijah had a cousin named Waraquah,, who was also a very faithful Roman Catholic and the Vatican placed him in a critical role as Muhammad's advisor. He had tremendous influence on Muhammad.

'Teachers were sent to young Muhammad and he had intensive training. Muhammad studied the works of St. Augustine which prepared him for his "great calling." The Vatican had Catholic Arabs across North Africa spread the story of a great one who was about to rise up among the people and be the chosen one of their God.

'While Muhammad was being prepared, he was told that his enemies were the Jews and that the only true Christians were Roman Catholic. He was taught that others calling themselves Christians

were actually wicked impostors and should be destroyed. Many Muslims believe this.
'Muhammad began receiving "divine revelations" and his wife's Catholic cousin Waraquah helped interpret them. From this came the Koran. In the fifth year of Muhammad's mission, persecution came against his followers because they refused to worship the idols in the Kaaba.
'Muhammad instructed some of them to flee to Abysinnia where Negus, the Roman Catholic king accepted them because Muhammad's views on the virgin Mary were so close to Roman Catholic doctrine. These Muslims received protection from Catholic kings because of Muhammad's revelations.
'Muhammad later conquered Mecca and the Kaaba was cleared of idols. History proves that before Islam came into existence, the Sabeans in Arabia worshiped the moon-god who was married to the sun-god. They gave birth to three goddesses who were worshipped throughout the Arab world as "Daughters of Allah" An idol excavated at Hazor in Palestine in 1950's shows Allah sitting on a throne with the crescent moon on his chest.
'Muhammad claimed he had a vision from Allah and was told, "You are the messenger of Allah." This began his career as a prophet and he received many messages. By the time Muhammad died, the religion of Islam was exploding. The nomadic Arab tribes were joining forces in the name of Allah and his prophet, Muhammad.
'Some of Muhammad's writings were placed in the Koran, others were never published. They are now in the hands of high ranking holy men (Ayatollahs) in the Islamic faith.'
"When Cardinal Bea shared with us in the Vatican, he said, these writings are guarded because they contain information that links the Vatican to the creation of Islam. Both sides have so much information on each other, that if exposed, it could create such a scandal that it would be a disaster for both religions.
"In their "holy" book, the Koran, Christ is regarded as only a prophet. If the pope was His representative on earth, then he also must be a prophet of God. This caused the followers of Muhammad to fear and respect the pope as another "holy man."
"The pope moved quickly and issued bulls granting the Arab generals permission to invade and conquer the nations of North Africa. The Vatican helped to finance the building of these massive Islamic armies in exchange for three favors:
1. Eliminate the Jews and Christians (true believers, which they called infidels).
2. Protect the Augustinian Monks and Roman Catholics.
3. Conquer Jerusalem for "His Holiness" in the Vatican.
"As time went by, the power of Islam became tremendous - Jews and true Christians were slaughtered, and Jerusalem fell into their hands. Roman Catholics were never attacked, nor were their shrines, during this time. But when the pope asked for Jerusalem, he was surprised at their denial! The Arab generals had such military success that they could not be intimidated by the pope - nothing could stand in the way of their own plan.
"Under Waraquah's direction, Muhammad wrote that Abraham offered Ishmael as a sacrifice. The

Bible says that Isaac was the sacrifice, but Muhammad removed Isaac's name and inserted Ishmael's name. As a result of this and Muhammad's vision, the faithful Muslims built a mosque, the Dome of the Rock, in Ishmael's honor on the site of the Jewish temple that was destroyed in 70 AD. This made Jerusalem the 2nd most holy place in the Islam faith. How could they give such a sacred shrine to the pope without causing a revolt?

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"The pope realized what they had created was out of control when he heard they were calling "His Holiness" an infidel. The Muslim generals were determined to conquer the world for Allah and now they turned toward Europe. Islamic ambassadors approached the pope and asked for papal bulls to give them permission to invade European countries.
"The Vatican was outraged; war was inevitable. Temporal power and control of the world was considered the basic right of the pope. He wouldn't think of sharing it with those whom he considered heathens.
"The pope raised up his armies and called them crusades to hold back the children of Ishmael from grabbing Catholic Europe. The crusades lasted centuries and Jerusalem slipped out of the pope's hands.
"Turkey fell and Spain and Portugal were invaded by Islamic forces. In Portugal, they called a

mountain village "Fatima" in honor of Muhammad's daughter, never dreaming it would become world famous.

"Years later when the Muslim armies were poised on the islands of Sardinia and Corsica, to invade Italy, there was a serious problem. The Islamic generals realized they were too far extended. It was time for peace talks. One of the negotiators was Francis of Assisi.

"As a result, the Muslims were allowed to occupy Turkey in a "Christian" world, and the Catholics were allowed to occupy Lebanon in the Arab world. It was also agreed that the Muslims could build mosques in Catholic countries without interference as long as Roman Catholicism could flourish Arab countries.

"Cardinal Bea told us in Vatican briefings that both the Muslims and Roman Catholics agreed to block and destroy the efforts of their common enemy, Bible-believing Christianm missionaries. Through these concordats, Satan blocked the children of Ishmael from a knowledge of Scripture and the truth.

"A light control was kept on Muslims from the Ayatollah down through the Islamic priests, nuns and monks. The Vatican also engineers a campaign of hatred between the Muslim Arabs and the Jews. Before this, they had co-existed peacefully.

"The Islamic community looks on the Bible-believing missionary as a devil who brings poison to the children of Allah. This explains years of ministry in those countries with little results.

"The next plan was to control Islam. In 1910, Portugal was going Socialistic. Red flags were appearing and the Catholic Church was facing a major problem. Increasing numbers were against the church.

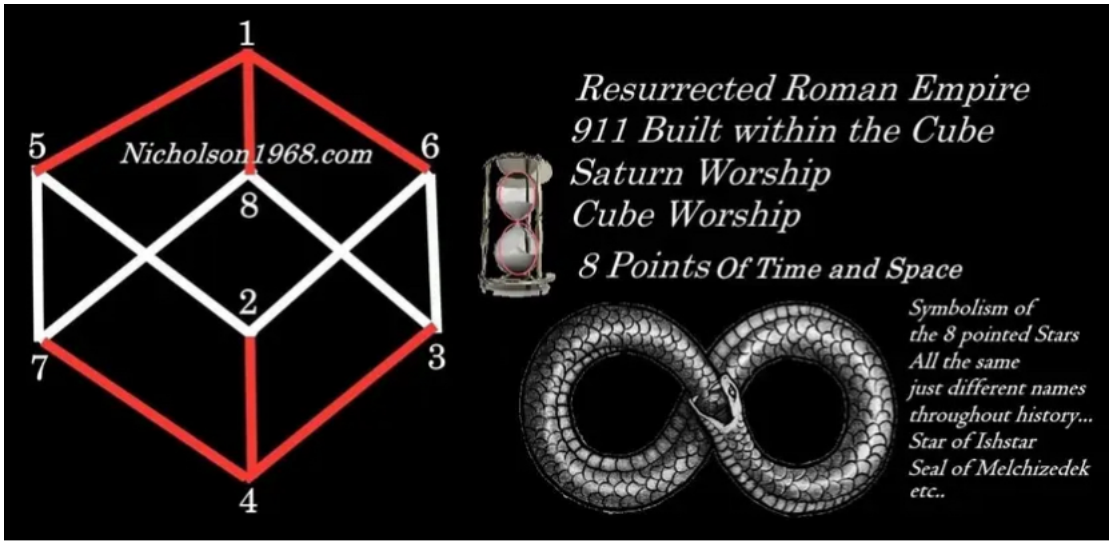
"The Jesuits wanted Russia involved, and the location of this vision at Fatima could play a key part in pulling Islam to the Mother Church.

"In 1917, the Virgin appeared in Fatima. "The Mother of God" was a smashing success, playing to

overflow crowds. As a result, the Socialists of Portugal suffered a major defeat.
"Roman Catholics world-wide began praying for the conversion of Russia and the Jesuits invented the Novenas to Fatima which they could perform throughout North Africa, spreading good public relations to the Muslim world. The Arabs thought they were honoring the daughter of Muhammad, which is what the Jesuits wanted them to believe.
"As a result of the vision of Fatima, Pope Pius XII ordered his Nazi army to crush Russia and the Orthodox religion and make Russia Roman Catholic." A few years after he lost World war II, Pope Pius XII startled the world with his phoney dancing sun vision to keep Fatima in the news. It was great religious show biz and the world swallowed it.
"Not surprisingly, Pope Pius was the only one to see this vision. As a result, a group of followers has grown into a Blue Army world-wide, totaling millions of faithful Roman Catholics ready to die for the blessed virgin.
Lucia de Santos, Francisco Marco and Jacinta Maro in 1917. Image from: mystae.com

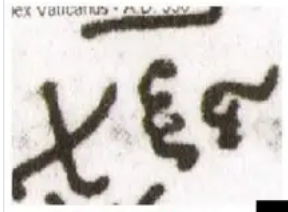
"But we haven't seen anything yet. The Jesuits have their Virgin Mary scheduled to appear four or five times in China, Russia, and major appearance in the U.S.
"What has this got to do with Islam? Note Bishop Sheen's
statement: "Our Lady's appearances at Fatima marked the turning point in the history of the world's 350 million Muslims. After the death of his daughter, Muhammad wrote that she "is the most holy of all women in Paradise, next to Mary."
"He believed that the Virgin Mary chose to be known as Our Lady of Fatima as a sign and a pledge that the Muslims who believe in Christ's virgin birth, will come to believe in His divinity.

"Bishop Sheen pointed out that the pilgrim virgin statues of Our Lady of Fatima were enthusiastically received by Muslims in Africa, India, and elsewhere, and that many Muslims are now coming into the Roman Catholic Church."



Quran 666

- The mark is the number 666 in Greek: Chi Xi Stigma



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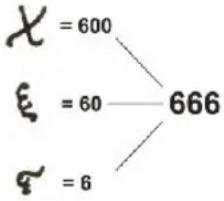
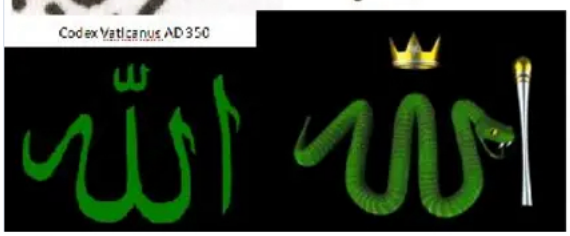
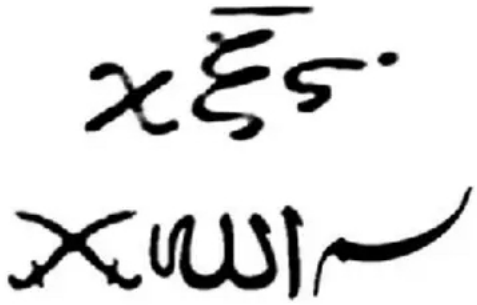




's compare the Xi Chi Sigma to Arabic words:



The bismillah: "In the name of Allah"

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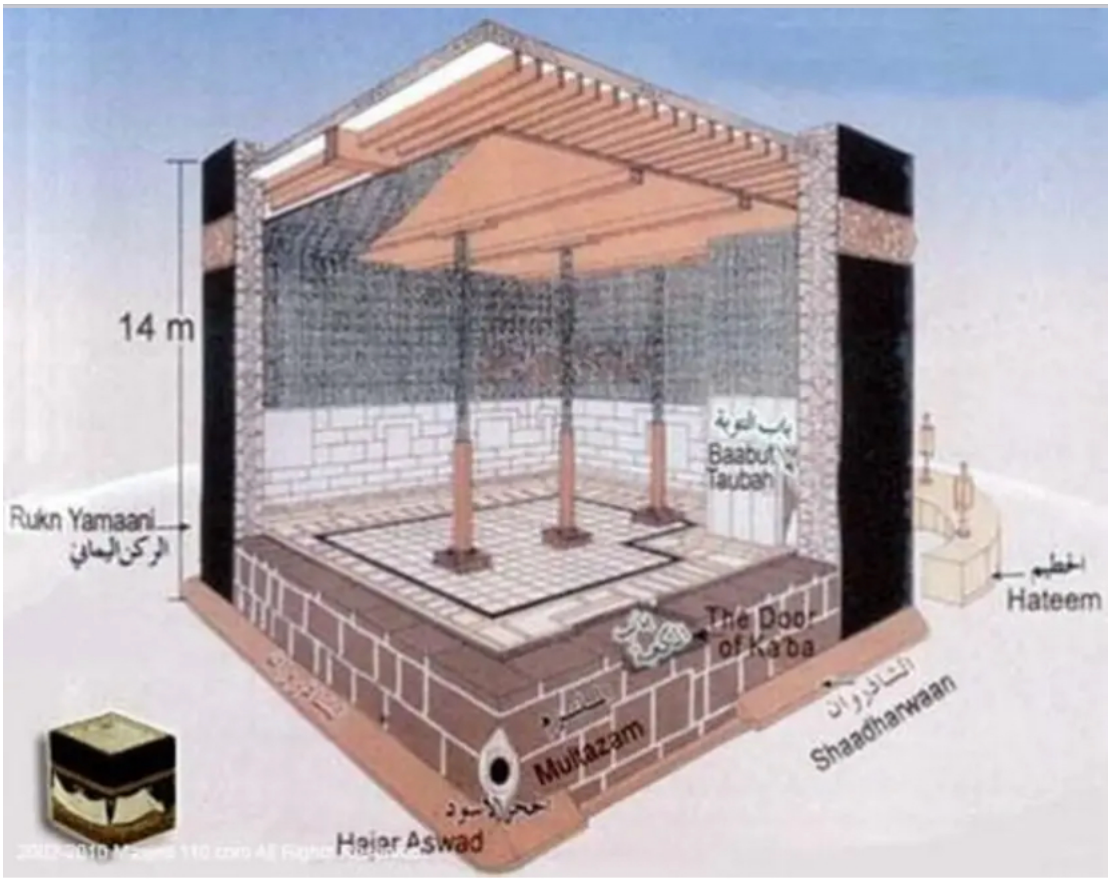

Allah is YaHVeH reversed!

Vatican Saint Peter's Square Basilica 2012 Easter
Vigil Mass Blessing of fire , Flammas eius lucifer (and Exsultet Satan's wishful omnipotence and omnipresence

Pray God sends this to millions in Hinduism, Buddhism, Shamanism, Catholicism, Islam, Jehovah's Witness, Mormonism, Pentecostal, Seventh Day Adventist, Lutherans, Baptist's & 700 other denominations.
Now here comes this source be vary observant now. "The true name of Satan, the Kabalists say, is that of Yahveh reversed; for Satan is not a black god, but the negation of God. The Devil is the personification of Atheism or Idolatry. "For the Initiate, this is not a Person, but a Force, created for good, but which may serve for evil. you ever heard in a movie
"MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU" [SOUNDS JUST LIKE "STAR WARS"... It is the instrument of Liberty or Free Will. They represent this Force, which presides over the physical generation, under the mythologic and horned form of the God PAN; thence came the he-goat of the Sabbat, THE

SABBAT IS ONE OF THE "HOLY" DAYS OF WICCA, OR WITCHCRAFT, AS THE SABBATH IS TO THE JEW AND THE LORD'S DAY IS TO THE CHRISTIAN] brother of the Ancient Serpent, and the Light-bearer [NOW WE SEE THAT THE
"ANCIENT SERPENT" IS ALSO THE LIGHT-BEARER.
SEE PAGE 321] or Phosphor, of which the poets have made the false Lucifer of the legend." [AS OPPOSED TO THE CORRECT ONE, APPARENTLY.] -
Page 102.
From Morals And Dogma by Albert Pike
The Arabian word AL-DE-BARAN, means the foremost, or leading star: and it could only have been so named, when it did precede, or lead, all others. The year then opened with the sun in Taurus; and the multitude of ancient sculptures, both in Assyria and Egypt, wherein the bull appears with lunette or crescent horns, and the disk of the sun between them, are direct allusions to the important festival of the first new moon of the year: and there was everywhere an annual celebration of the festival of the first new moon, when the year opened with Sol and Luna in Taurus.
"To conceive of God ... the Kabala imagined him to be a 'most occult light;"
Conjunctive sun star & moon Baal Hadad Baal Hadad Baal Hadad
This is Baal worship; this is Lucifer worship in its male female form!
Ok; so that's their god. They turn everything upside down. To the outside world they say YaHVeH; to the inner world it means what? !!Satan!! So they can preach Yeshua Bar Yosef, Jesus Christ in the most elegant, eloquent sermon & you wouldn't know their preaching about Lucifer! You wouldn't know.
"When the Mason learns that the key to the warrior on the block is the proper application of the dynamo of living power, he has learned the mystery of his craft. The seething energies of Lucifer are in his hands and before he may step onwards and upwards he must prove his ability to properly apply (this) energy." 'Lost Keys of Freemasonry' page 48,
Manley P Hall 33rd degree.
Throughout The Secret Doctrine, Blavatsky praised the Devil and belittled God.
In Volume I, Cosmogenesis, she wrote: "The devil is now called Darkness by the Church, whereas, in the Bible he is called the 'Son of God' (see Job), the bright star of early morning, Lucifer (see Isaiah).
There is a whole philosophy of dogmatic craft in the reason why the first Archangel, who sprang from the depths of Chaos, was called Lux (Lucifer), the 'Luminous Son of the Morning, or manvantaric Dawn. He was transformed by the Church into Lucifer or Satan, because he is higher and older than Jehovah, and had to be sacrificed to the new dogma."[12]
The Secret Doctrine by H. P. Blavatsky.
Theosophical ... Jehovah - esoterically (as Elohim)
- is also the Serpent or Dragon that tempted. Eve, and the "Dragon" is an old glyph for "Astral Light" (Primordial Principle), "which is the Wisdom of Chaos... becomes the Maya or the tempting

and deceitful serpent on our plane.
by H.P Blavatsky
So esoteric turns everything upside down
Here Blavatsky writes the grate serpent of the garden of Eden & the Lord God are identical. Their Luciferians; you see! and so are Jehovah & Cain ONE that Cain who is referred to in theology as the murderer and liar
So the God in the Bible is the murderer & the liar but the serpent is exulted!! That's secret esoteric teaching only known to the E-depth Hear another quote from secret doctrine: The Appellation Satan in Hebrew Satan, "an adversary" (from the verb Shatana, "to be adverse," to persecute belongs by right to the first and cruelest "adversary of all the other gods" - Jehovah, not to the serpent who spoke only words of sympathy and wisdom, and is at the worst even in "the dogma, the adversary of men." See! So the bad guy is Jesus, the good guy is Satan!
Therefore Jehovah was called by the Gnostics the creator of and one with Ophiomorphos the serpent Satan The secret Doctrine vol. 2 page 389
They turn it upside down. I'm not making this up
He's known as the supreme architect of the universe who has promised that we shall never, never die!
This is a Masonic source which blows them out of the water. What do they call their deity? The supreme architect of the universe, but he's the one who said you will never, never die. Which one said that? The serpent said it.
So all you pore goyim in the lower ranks don't
know these things.
Here's another one from morals and dogma
The Deity of the Old Testament is everywhere represented as the direct author of Evil, commissioning evil and lying spirits to men, hardening the heart of Pharaoh, and visiting the iniquity of the individual sinner on the whole people.
I hereby promise the grate spirit Lucifuge, prince of demons, that each year I will bring unto him a human soul to do with as it may please him, and in return Lucifuge promises to bestow apon me the treasures of the Earth and fulfill my every desire for the length of my natural life. If I fail to bring him each year the offering specified above, then my own soul shall be forfeit to him. Signed....
{invocant signs pact with his own blood} the secret teaching of all ages by Manly Palmer Hall 33% page CIV
Magic in Theory and Practice PDF It is necessary for us to consider carefully the problems connected with the bloody sacrifice, for this question is indeed traditionally important in Magick. Nigh all ancient Magick revolves around this matter. In particular all the Osirian religions - the rites of the Dying god - refer to this.
page 117
is the sacrifice of oneself spiritually. And the intelligence and innocence of that male child are the

perfect understanding of the Magician, his one aim, without lust of result. And male he must be, because what he sacrifices is not the material blood, but the creative power.
page 118
The offering must be within a circle or square however the case may be But the bloody sacrifice, though more dangerous, is more efficacious; and for nearly all purposes human sacrifice is the best. A male child nine years old of perfect Innocents, exceptional beauty & high intelligence is the most acceptable & satisfying victim. We're talking about human sacrifice here!
The truly great Magician will be able to use his own blood, or possibly that of a disciple, and that without sacrificing the physical life irrevocably. 1
An example of this sacrifice is given in Chapter 44 of Liber 333.2 This Mass may be recommended generally for daily practice.
What will happen to those who don't accept & go along with it.
Barbara Marx Hubbard The book of Co-Creation
1960 Edition J. P 59
Out of the full spectrum of human personality, One-fourth is electing to transcend, One fourth is resistant to election. They are unattracted by life ever-changing Now, as we approach the quantum shift from creature-human to co-creative human the destructive one-fourth must be eliminated from the Social body Fortunately you, dearly beloved, are not responsible for this act. We are. We are in charged of god's selection process for planet Earth He selects, we destroy. We are the riders of the pale horse, Death Alice Ann Bailey
Let us never forget that it is the life, its purpose and it's directed intentional destiny that is of importance, and also that when a form proves inadequate, or too diseased or too crippled for the expression of that purpose, it is - from the point of view of the hierarchy - no disaster when that form has to go." Death is not a disaster to be feared, the work of the Destroyer is not really cruel or undesirable, therefore, there is much destruction permitted by the Custodians of the Plan and much evil turned into good."
Another quote proving the one behind it from Blavatsky's The Secret Doctrine Vol. 2, Page 235/210 Pdf
She calls it THE SHADOW OF GOD.
Which god? She says it right there in the passage.
Saturn (Satan), astronomically, "is the seventh and last in the order of macrocosmic emanation, being the circumference of the kingdom of which Phoebus (the light of wisdom, also the Sun) is the centre." The Gnostics were right, then, in calling the Jewish god "an angel of matter," or he who breathed (conscious) life into Adam, and he whose planet was Saturn. 34. "And God hath put a girdle about his loins (the rings of Saturn), and the name of the girdle is Death." In anthropogony this "girdle" is the human body with its two lower principles, which three die, while the innermost man is immortal. And now we approach the "Secret of Satan." 37, 38, 39. ".
.. Upon Satan only is the shame of generation. He hath lost his virginal estate (so hath the Kumara

by incarnating): uncovering heavenly secrets, he hath entered into bondage . ... He compasseth with bonds and limits all things. ...42, 43, 44. "Twain are the armies of God: in heaven the hosts of Michael; in the abyss (the manifested world) the legions of Satan. These are the unmanifest and the manifest; the free and the bound (in matter): the virginal and the fallen. And both are the Ministers of the Father, fulfilling the word Divine. ..." Therefore - 55. "Holy is the Sabbath of god: blessed and sanctified is the name of the Angel of Havas" - Satan. For, "The glory of Satan is the shadow of the Lord": God in the manifested world; "the throne of Satan is the footstool of Adonai" - that footstool being the whole Kosmos. (Vide Part II., "Is Pleroma Satan's Lair?") When the Church, therefore, curses Satan, it curses the cosmic reflection of God; it anathematizes God made manifest in matter or in the objective; it maledicts God, or the ever-incomprehensible Wisdom, revealing itself as Light and Shadow, good and evil in nature, in the only manner comprehensible to the limited intellect of Man. This is the true philosophical and metaphysical interpretation of Samael, or Satan, the adversary in the Kabala; the same tenets and spirit being found in the allegorical interpretations of every other ancient religion.

Proof that Allah is Satan
And it was not possible for this Quran to be produced by other than Allah, but it is a confirmation of what was before it (Torah, Gospels) and a detailed explanation of the former scriptures (Bible), about which there is no doubt. (Quran 10:37)
Allah is the greatest of all deceivers. (Quran 3:54, 7:99, 8:30)
And the devil that deceived them. (Revelation 12:9,
Revelation 20:10)
Allah is the lord of the worlds. (Quran 10:37)
Satan is the god (lord of this world. (2 Corinthians
4:3-4
99 Names of Allah: # 10 Al-Mutakabbir: The Most
Proud. Quran 59:23)
Satan was cast out of heaven because of his pride
Isaiah 14:12-15, Ezekiel 28:11-19
99 Names of Allah: # 61 A Mumit: The Destroyer.
(Quran 3:156, 7:158, 15:23, 57:2)
Satan is The Destroyer. (1 Corinthians 10:10)
99 Names of Allah # 78 Al-Muta'ali: The Most High.
(Quran 13:9)
Satan (Lucifer) will be like" The Most High. (Isaiah
14:14
(Allah = Terror) I am with you, therefore make firm
those who believe. I WILL CAST TERROR into the harts of those who disbelieve. Therefore strike off

their heads and
strike off every fingertip of them. (Qur'an 8:12
(Satan = Terror) All they that know thee among the
people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a TERROR and never shalt thou be any more. (Ezekiel 28:19 KJV)
Allah's Apostle said: I have been made victorious with
TERROR. (Bukhari 4:52:220)
He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the biginning. For this purpose the sun of God was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil. (1 john 3:8)
And kill them wherever you find them. Qur'an 2:191
Thou shalt not kill. Exodus 20:13
Fight them! Allah will chastise them AT YOUR HANDS and He will lay them low and give you victory over them (Quran 9:14)
Ye are of your father the devil. And the lusts of your father YE WILL DO. He was a murderer from the biginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it (john 8:44) Allah's Apostle said: The Hour will not be established until you fight with the Jews,
and the stone behind which a Jew will be hiding will say: "O Muslim! There is a Jew hiding behind me, so come and kill him!" (Bukhari 4:52:177)
These things have I spoken unto you' that ye should not be offended. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think' that he doth God service. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the father, nor ME. (John 13:1-3
We shall cast terror into the hearts of those who disbelieve, because they joined others in worship with Allah (Qur'an 3:151)
The thief (Satan) cometh not, but for to STEAL, and to KILL, and to DESTROY: I AM (Jesus) come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. (John 10:10)
Fight against those who believe not in Allah, nor in the last day, nor forbid that which has been forbidden by Allah and His Messenger, and those who acknowledge not the "RELIGION OF TRUTH " among the people of the scriptures (JEWS AND CHRISTIANS), until they pay the Jizyah with willing submissions, and fell themselves subdued. (Quran 9:29
"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world." (1 peter 5:8-9
So when you meet those who disbelieve, FIGHT IN ALLAH'S CAUSE] smite at their necks (BEHEAD), until when you have killed and wounded many of them
(Quran 47:4)
And I saw the souls of them that were BEHEADED for the witness of JESUS

And for the WORD OF GOD and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and rained with Christ a thousand years (Revelation 20:4)
Did Muhammad receive the Quran from the Archangel Gabriel or someone else?
Whoever is an enemy to Gabriel, let him die in his fury, for indeed he has brought it (this Quran) down to your hart by Allah's permission, CONFIRMING what came before it and guidance and glad tidings for the believers. (Quran 2:97)
Bit though we or an ANGEL FROM HEAVEN preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again: if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that you have received let him be accursed. (Galatians 1:8-9)
And no marvel for SATAN HIMSELF is transformed into an ANGEL OF LIGHT' Therefore, it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works. (2 Corinthians 11:14-15)
Allah's Apostle said: The most awful name in Allah's sight on the Day of Resurrection, will be that of a man calling himself: "Malik Al-Amlak" (The King of Kings.)
(Bukhari 8:73:224)
These shall make war with the Lamb (Jesus) and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of Lords and King of Kings, and they that are with Him are called, and chosen, and faithful. (Revelation 17:14, 19:14-16, 1 timothy 6:14-15)
Allah's Apostle said: There is none amongst you
(MUSLIMS) with whom is not an attaché from amongst the jinn: (DEVIL). (sahih Muslim 39:6759
Verily Islam started as something strange, and it would again revert to it's old position of being strange just as it started, and it would recede between the two mosques just as the serpent crawls back into its hole." (Sahih Muslim 1:271)
And he laid hold on the dragon, that old SERPENT which is the DEVIL, and SATAN, and bound him a thousand years, and cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal apon him, that he should deceive the nations no more Revelation 20:2-3
But those that seek my soul, to destroy it shell go into the lower parts of the Earth Psalm (psalm 63:9
The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget GOD Psalm 9:17
But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderess, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolatrous, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone which is the second death: (Revelation 21:8)
And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the LAKE OF FIRE. (Revelation 20:15)
And he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angles and in the presence of the lamb (jesus): And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up forever and ever (Revelation 14:10-11)

Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you Before Abraham was, I AM john 8:58
Look unto ME, and be ye SAVED, for I AM GOD and there is none else. (Isaiah 45:22)
All that the father giveth me shall come to me, and him that cometh to me I will in no rise cast out john 6:37 For I know the thoughts that I thank toward you, saith the Lord thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end
then shall ye call upon Me, and ye shall go and pray unto Me and I will hearken unto you. And ye Shall seek Me, and find Me when ye shall search for Me with all thine heart

From SaiAnarchy EL The Bloodlines by Anonymous

Many government protected archaeological sites contain Zoroastrian writings, symbols, statues and other monuments, and most are in Iran, Turkey and the other countries once included in the Persian Empire. Sites such as Ka'ba-i Zartosht, which is the
"Cube of Zoroaster", the black cube of Saturn, the black stone is used for Satanic alters used to sacrifice children. a monument at Naqsh-e Rustam and the seventh wonder of the world, Mausoleum at Halicarnassus or Tomb of Mausolus in Turkey are perfect examples of some of the earliest icons the Jesuits still recreate today.

Zoroaster Spitama was the founder of Zoroastrian belief. He lived in what is called Ragha in Avestan (which is in Iran, part of the Persian Empire). Ragha means plain, hillside. Zoroaster's father was from Atropatene in Medea and his mother was from Rey. His patron was the king Vishtaspa. He married Hvōvi, an Avestan high priestess. He opposed the use of the Haoma plant, polytheism and an oppressive class system in Persia. Why was he against a plant and what plant is this? The name means the divine and, according to ancient studies, effects include healing, joy, intellectual stimulation, and was described “the best for the soul's journey”, and “accompanied by joyous Truth”. They are against this plant to this day!
So what do we call it now? We know it as Marijuana and it has been proven to make brainwashing and mind control techniques ineffective.
Zoroaster's followers spread quickly and Fire temples were built in Armenia in his honour which led to the rise of the Achaemenid Empire. Zoroaster Spitama was murdered and named a prophet. Jamaspa, who married his daughter and was a devout disciple, then became Zoroaster's successor. Zoroaster is depicted wearing white robes, holding a the varza (a steel rod crowned by a bull's head) which only priests carry in their installation ceremony and a barsom (aka Baresman, a bundle of sticks also called a sacred wand, the number of sticks differs depending on the ceremony) which is also only used by the highest priests. He is typically seen with hands raised, using the hand symbols of the occult. The Zoroastian symbol is easily recognized today and is called the Faravahar. King Darius was one of many kings deceived by the Zoroastrians and wrote of the magi, saying:

“I smote them and took prisoner nine kings. One was Gaumata by name, a Magian. He lied. Thus he said: I am Smerdis, the son of Cyrus... One, Acina by name, an Elamite. He lied. Thus he said: I am king in Elam... One, NidintuBel by name, a Babylonian. He lied. Thus he said: I am Nebuchadnezzar, the son of Nabonidus.” (Three kings. Three lies.)

Years later, during Alexander's invasion of Persia, Cyrus's tomb was broken into and looted. Cyprus, like Alexander disliked the Magi. When Alexander reached the tomb, he was horrified by the manner in which it had been treated and put the Magi on trial. Some write that Alexander put the Magi on trial in an attempt to undermine their influence and display his own power.
In 530 BC Cambyses II was in Egypt when the Zoroastrian priests, called Magi, usurped the throne.

Gaumata, one of the high priests, ruled for seven months. The Magi, though persecuted, continued to exist, and a year following the death of the first Gaumata, a second, named Vahyazdāta, attempt another coup. Things go on like this in these ancient times constantly, making it quite an exciting educational experience.
One priest, Kartir, led a crusade to purify Zoroastrianism, to obliterate what he saw as heresies. He carved the Zoroastrian teachings on rock faces of mountains, which can still be seen in Iran and throughout the middle east today. The Zoroastrians believed fire was sacred and Kartir limited the use of fire by the Jews, including flames used in lamps. They tried to dominate education among the Jews and destroyed synagogues.
One historian, al-Shahrastani, describes the Majusiya (magi) as having three sects, the Kayumarthiya, the Zurwaniya and the Zaradushtiya, of which the last were the only true followers.
The teachings of Zoroaster can also be found in the Quran. Shortly before the birth of the prophet of Islam, Muhammad, his soon-to-be disciples invaded Persia, came in contact with the Zoroastrian people and learned their teachings. They at once came to the conclusion that Zoroaster was really a divinely inspired prophet and taught all they knew to Muhammad, who traveled to study and become a disciple of Zoroaster's teachings. They adopted all of the teachings of the sorcerer and erased his name from their copies of the documents, creating Muhammad as the new Zoroaster. As the Quran explains:
"And We did send apostles before thee: there are some of them that We have mentioned to thee and there are others whom We have not mentioned to Thee."

The Muslims treated the founder of Zoroastrianism as a true prophet and believed in his religion, and other inspired creeds, and thus according to the Zoroastrian's prophecy, protected the Zoroastrian religion.
Zoroastrians later educated the Greeks, the Asians and many others since they always put an emphasis on being missionaries. Now, as we can see, being a Zoroastrian missionary often required one to not mention that he was Zoroastrian. After a few hundred years of their bloody rule, when the Persian Empire fell, they spread out and changed their names, as always. This is where the Pharisees, Fratres Arvales, Jupiter-Amon and others come in.
One elite group of the Zoroastrians, when they were dispersed at the fall of the Persian Empire, formed in the Taurus Mountains and called their territory Olba. Ajax was high priest of Olba from 27 BC to 14 AD and united with Rome which was under the rule of his cousin Augustus. Augustus brought the priests back to power and the lineage is easy to follow just by looking at the rulers of Rome and who they were replaced by: those of the bloodlines. He also formed alliances with Herod and Alexander. Since the Roman Empire was so expanded each new addition still had a ruler of it's own, now placed under the Caesar. You will find most of them are priests, like Archelaus, who was a Cappadocian high priest who ruled his area the same time his cousin Ajax was in power.

As we mentioned before, the magi in the Christmas story everyone knows, the three wise men, were Zoroastrian priests. High priests, and easily mistaken for kings. The three magi have never been named. We have found them. These three magi are only high priests who fit all of the requirements: knowledge of astrology, sorcery, ties to Herod who hired them to spy on all male births in that time because of his paranoia, and of course, of the elite bloodlines.
These are the only ones who fit the description and were in the correct locations, educations, and positions during 1 BC: Joazar ben Boethus, Eleazar ben Boethus, and Joshua ben Sie. This is confirmed by the historians, like Josephus, and record keepers of the time. As all facts documented here.
The philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche writes of the teachings of Zoroaster, having been a Zoroastrian himself. Irish poet William Butler Yeats. and his wife claimed to have contacted Zoroaster through a séance. Hitler wrote many time of Zoroaster, using his teachings in many of his experiments. In Manhattan, New York, the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of New York has a sculpture of Zoroaster towering over the building as well as at the Rockefeller Memorial Chapel in the campus of the University of Chicago.

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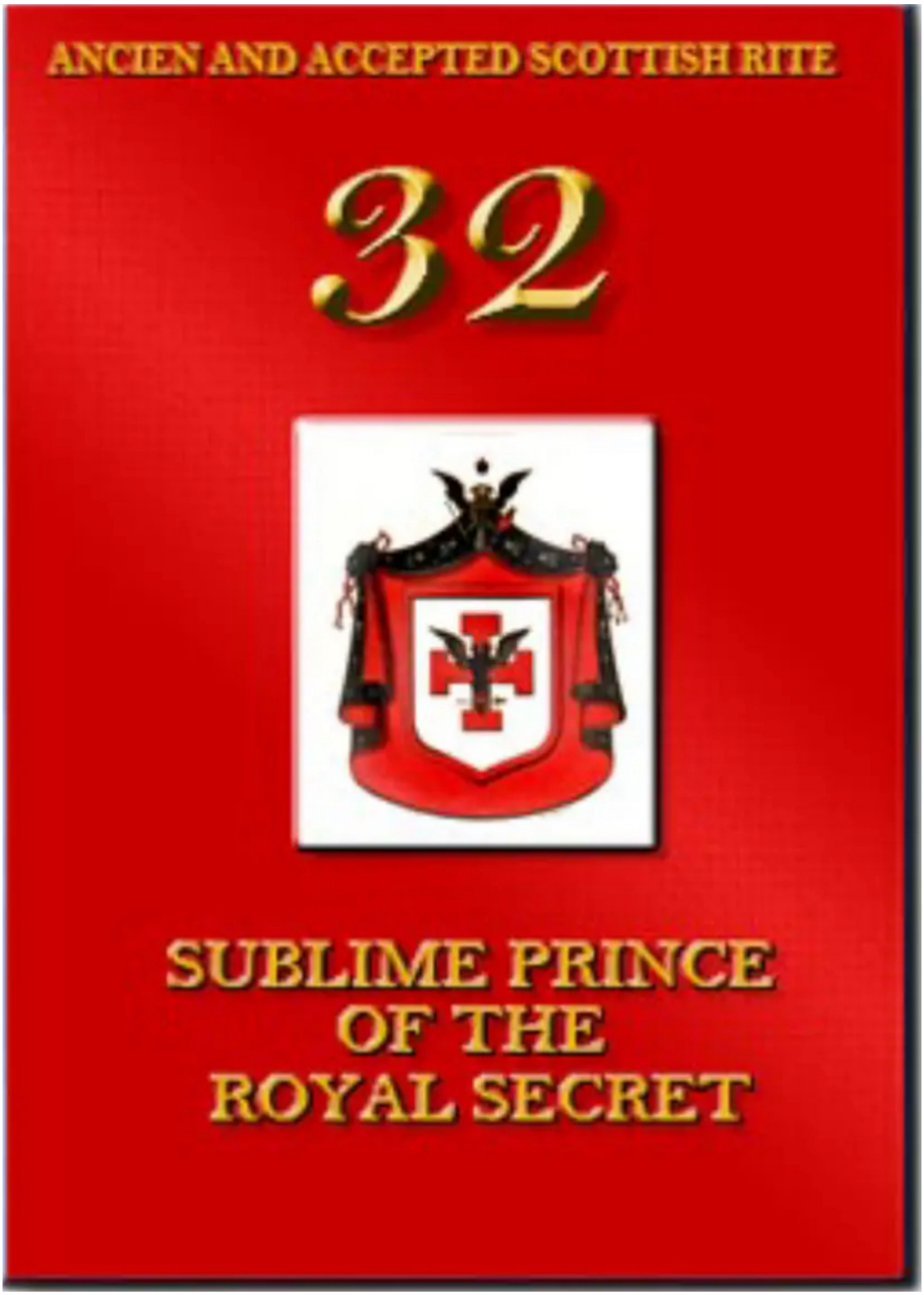
Their history, again, is so filled with important details it is difficult to decide which ones to mention here. We will continue on now as the line has been established.

Who is allowed to know the truth about Masonry
We must create a super rite, which will remain unknown to which we will call those masons of high degree (30th and above) whom we shall school with reproach to our brethren in Masonry these men must be pledges to the strictest secrecy.
Through this supreme rite, we will govern all Freemasonry which will become the one international center, the more powerful because its direction will be unknown." 1 January 22, 1870 letter detailed from Pike to the head of the order of Illuminati giuseppe mazzini
When you become a Shriner, when you are chosen after 6 months you are required to become a Shriner. If someone is a Christian 31st Degree Masonry & below they swear elegance on the Bible; now when you become a Shriner (world wide) you swear elegance on the Quran.
"By the existence of Allah and the creed of Mohammed; by the legendary sanctity of our Tabernacle at Mecca, we greet you." The inductees then swear on the the Koran, in the name of Mohammed, and invoke Masonry's usual gruesome penalties upon themselves:
"I do hereby, upon this Bible, and on the mysterious legend of the Koran, and its dedication to the

Mohammedan faith, promise and swear and vow ...that I will never reveal any secret part or portion whatsoever of the ceremonies ... and now upon this sacred book, by the sincerity of a Moslem's oath I here register this irrevocable vow ... in willful violation whereof may I incur the fearful penalty of having my eyeballs pierced to the center with a three-edged blade, my feet flayed and I be forced to walk the hot sands upon the sterile shores of the Red Sea until the flaming sun shall strike me with livid plague, and may Allah, the god of Arab, Moslem and Mohammedan, the god of our fathers, support me to the entire fulfillment of the same.
Amen. Amen. Amen." The Mosalah!
One is a front organization for a front organization but the one who receives worship is Lucifer through Rome, not Islam; Islam is subservient to Rome without anyone knowing it!



32 Degree Ritual Sublime Prince Of The Royal Secret

We have been given a copy of the 32nd degree ritual from the Authentic Scottish Rite Ritual. A 32nd degree freemason, at personal risk, copied the source documents for us. Another 32nd degree freemason who has been set free, and renounced Lucifer's religion of freemasonry, has reviewed and verified that the ritual documents are genuine. You will either know the truth, by the Spirit of Truth, or reject it. Key of the Royal Secret - Freemasonry's Divine Light, and Divine Word, their

Ineffable Word in the ritual is - AGNI - USHAS - MITRA. The only words not spoken and not allowed in the tolerant Luciferian religion of freemasonry is Jesus Christ, Yeshua the Messiah. The reason is because freemasonry is MITHRAISM. MITRA or Mithra is the Persian god and the mystery religion devoted to his worship. Make no mistake about it, Mithra is Lucifer or Satan. The god Mitra or Mithra was originally a Persian deity considered to be the mediator between mankind and Ahura-Mazda, god of light.
(Lucifer the light bearer 2 Cor 11:14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.2
Cor 11:15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.) This god overcame evil and brought life, both animal and vegetable, to humankind. Statues of Mithra characteristically show him holding a bull by the nostrils while plunging a knife into its neck. The Romans identified Mithra with the sun god. December 25 was celebrated as his birthday. Three traditions relate the birth of Mithra: (1) he was born of an incestuous relationship between Ahura-Mazda and his own mother; (2) he was born of an ordinary mortal; (3) Mithra was born from a rock. After his redemptive work on earth was finished, Mithra partook of a last supper with some of his devotees and then ascended to heaven, where he continues to assist the faithful in their struggle against demons. From the freemason's own high level ritual we see MITRA identified and defined:
MITRA - The fire, the dawn, the morning star. (Lucifer, not Yeshua or Jesus, is the god of freemasonry) Make no mistake about it freemasonry is Mithraism, the worship of Mithra, which is one of the many names of Lucifer or Satan the devil. Isa 14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning (Lucifer usurps Yeshuas title of the morning star)! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! AGNI is another part of the freemason's Ineffable Word. From the 32nd degree ritual we are informed of AGNI who was borrowed from the Hindu worship of Lucifer or Mithra before the Persians named him Mitra. AGNI, INDRA, and VISHNU: Fire, Light, and Heat, the first trinity and their manifestation in the skies. The interpretations of these symbols will reveal the Holy Doctrine. The one great idea from which they have been unfolded is the Royal Secret. Few appreciate as they should its (the Royal Secret of freemasonry) exalted morality making it the law for their daily lives, and fewer care for and value the great truth of its philosophy and religion. (Royal Secret - the religion of freemasonry worships Lucifer as god) You are not doing an idle thing to learn the Royal Secret. The Aryan kinsmen of our ancestors.... so worshipping their Deities, and creating Light, what should ascend to the skies to invigorate and replenish INDRA, the universal light, the planets and stars that had once been men, their ancestors. The symbols of Free Masonry conceal, even in the Master's Lodge, the Holy Doctrine and the Royal Secret. As kinsmen of our Aryan ancestors sacrificed in Indra and Ahura, sacrifice thou with an offering of incense to the God in whom thou doest put thy trust. In the 14th degree the seeker of the Royal Secret was Baptized and hailed a Soldier of the Truth of Ahura-Mazda, one of Lucifer's many names and counterfeits of the True God. In the 32nd degree, Now you desire to become Priest and King. The

32nd degree gives the Royal Secret and make the initiate a Priest and King of Ahura-Mazda, one of Lucifer's many names. The Irano-Aryans sacrificed before dawn to Mitra, the morning star. As the kinsmen of our Aryan ancestors sacrificed to Serpenta Mainyu, the divine wisdom, sacrifice thou with an offering of incense to the God in whom thou doest put thy trust. Yes, the 32nd degree seekers of the Royal Secret of freemasonry offer incense to the Serpent god, Serpenta Manyu. Serpenta Mainyu is another of Lucifer's many names. After offering more incense to Lucifer, the seeker of the Royal Secret, in his 32nd degree ritual makes more vows before he gets the Luciferian baptism of the 32nd degree. He vows: I do most solemnly vow and promise, that I will be until I die the implacable enemy of all spiritual tyranny, (i.e.. conformity to the Authorized scriptures), over souls and consciences of men, resisting all claims of church, synagogue, and mosque to outlaw free conscience and enslave thought and opinion, and compel men to believe what it may prescribe. The antichrist nature of such a vow is seen in many scriptures such as: Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. 1 Pet 4:1 Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin; 1 Pet 3:8 Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous: Titus 1:15 Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled. Titus 1:16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate. 2 Cor 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; Then the seeker of the Royal Secret in the 32nd degree ritual receives the following pronouncement as he gets this Luciferian baptism of the 32nd degree: As kinsmen of our Aryan ancestors were sanctified with the Zaothra, (Zoroastrian religion is the same as the Luciferian polytheistic religion of Mazdaism, with its chief god being Lucifer going by his alias Ahura-Mazda), or consecrated water, and there-by devoted to the service of Ahura. It is a baptism and consecration to the service of Ahura, Lucifer. The Royal Secret is that the 32nd degree freemason has been baptized and consecrated to the service of Lucifer, whether he knows it or not. If he has shown sufficient interest in the occult in his pursuit of the degrees, one in 20, or 5%, of the 32nd degree freemasons are invited to pursue their service to Lucifer in the Illuminati. After this Luciferian baptism and consecration, the 32nd degree seeker of the Royal Secret is questioned as follows: If you are ready to bind yourself to the strict, punctual, unremitting performance at all points, in every place, and at all times your duties as Perfect Elu, Prince of Jeru, Knight of Rose Croix, Knight of the Sun, St. Andrew and Kodosh and Master of the Royal Secret, as these have been declared you, go and stand at the west side of the Master of the Royal Secret, as these have been declared you, go and stand at the west side of the Altar of Obligation facing the east. The seeker of the Royal Secret in the 32nd degree thus position takes his 4 th vow of allegiance to this Luciferian religion.

He then is voted OK by the other Masters of the Royal Secret, and is led to: Kneel at the altar, laying thy left hand upon the book of constitutions and the symbol of Deity. (Lights go down and voices are heard saying) One is three, three is one, Agni, Ushas, Mitra. One is three, three is one, Ahura, Mazda, Cepenta, Mainyu, Vohu-mano. Other things are said which in biblical context and how they are performed in this ritual are blasphemous. Then the seeker of the Royal Secret of freemasonry in the 32nd degree ritual is told: It will be explained to thee when thou shalt become entitled to the explanation. The voices thou hast heard, give thee the key of interpretation. He then receives the emblems of his 32nd degree, the dark cordon and the Teutonic Cross of gold the jewel of the order. He is then told: You now know the holy doctrine, and have the Royal Secret.
If the mind, reason, intellect and intelligence of man is a part of the universal supreme mind, intellect, intelligence he may well have lofty aspirations and high ambition for he is capable of great things. We need to tell these poor dupes of freemasonry in the 32nd degree, or any degree, that the Royal Secret of freemasonry is that Lucifer is the god of freemasonry. God is not pleased if, even in ignorance, one stays involved in a religion of Lucifer, Satan, the Devil. We need to tell these dupes of freemasonry that the religion of freemasonry will most assuredly take them to hell unless they fully renounce it. That is speaking the truth in love. You don't love someone by tolerating and saying that something that will take them to hell is OK. That is not love. There is absolutely no place in the true Church of Jesus Christ, Yeshua Messiah, for any freemason worshiper of Lucifer as god. Whether he knows it or not, we must tell them to remit, renounce, and get out of Lucifer's religion and put the sin of involvement with freemasonry under the Blood of Yeshua. Everyone goes into the freemason Luciferian religion by ignorance. Their ignorance bringing them into and keeping them in freemasonry is no excuse for us to lead them to think that remaining in freemasonry and failing to renounce freemasonry and its god Lucifer, is OK. Here is a good prayer for those wanting the freedom Messiah offers to those bound by Lucifer in the religion of freemasonry. Eph 5:11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them. Breaking Free from Bondage John 8:36 " if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed." Freedom Prayer Lord, I repent and ask your forgiveness if I am now or have ever dominated or controlled anyone contrary to the perfect will of God. In the Name of Yeshua Messiah, I now renounce, break and loose myself from all domination and subjection to my mother, father, grandparents or any other human being, living or dead that has ever in the past or is now dominating or controlling me in any way contrary to the perfect will of God. In the name of Yeshua, I now renounce, break, and loose myself and all my children from all psychic heredity, demonic bondage, occult bondage, psychic bondage, bonds of physical or mental illness and disease and all curses upon me and my family lineage as a result of sins, transgressions, illness and disease and all curses upon me and my family lineage as a result of sins, transgressions, iniquities, occult or psychic involvments of myself, my parents, my ancestors, my spouse, parents of my spouse, their ancestors, and all ex-spouses, their parents and their ancestors. Thank you Lord for setting me free. In the Name of Yeshua, and by the power of the Blood of Yeshau, I rebuke, break and loose myself and all my children from all evil curses, charms,

vexes, hexes, spells, jinx, occult powers, psychic powers, witchcraft, sorcery and hypnotic influences that have been put on me or my family lineage by any person, occult source or psychic source. By the power of the Blood of Yeshua, I command all connected and related spirits to leave me now in Yeshua's Name. - That kind of gets it all under the Blood of Yeshua where it belongs. The following are the scripture references if you are interested. Deut. 23:2 "One of illegitimate birth shall not enter the assembly of the LORD; even to the tenth generation none of his descendants shall enter the assembly of the LORD. Numbers 14:18 The LORD is longsuffering and abundant in mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression; but He by no means clears the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation.' Exo. 34:7 "keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children and the children's children to the third and the fourth generation." Deut. 7:25-26 "You shall burn the carved images of their gods with fire; you shall not covet the silver or gold that is on them, nor take it for yourselves, lest you be snared by it; for it is an abomination to the LORD your God. "Nor shall you bring an abomination into your house, lest you be doomed to destruction like it. You shall utterly detest it and utterly abhor it, for it is an accursed thing. Gal. 5:16-25 I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. But it you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Messiah's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Col. 2:13-15 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it. Gal. 3:13-14
Messiah has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"), that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Messiah Yeshua, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. I Pet. 2:24

Gentiles in Messiah Yeshua, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. I Pet. 2:24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness; by whose stripes you were healed.: see also: Secret Societies 13 and 33: The Freemason's Signature

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Amen. Amen. Amen." With this oath, Christians swear on the Koran, and declare Allah to be "the god of our fathers." From the perspective of Christianity and Islam alike, Shriners take the name of God in vain, and mock both faiths. Excerpt from The Origins and Influence of Masonry by Lee Penn, SCP Journal Vol. 25:2-25:3 2001 PO Box 4308, Berkeley, CA 94704 Mission gorg Jesus † People !!
MISSING!! This reserved parking space is for a Shriner in Chattanooga, TN, who claims to be a "High Priest and Prophet"! Of which God do you suppose he is Prophet and High Priest? The demon called Allah?!! Encarta, Wikipedia (1), Britannica (2) and Questia Encyclopidia
(3) all identify the red hat, called a "Fez" (or tarboosh) as "a Muslim symbol". Ron Carlson, in his book Fast Facts About Freemasonry (1), writes that Fez, Morocco is where the Muslims, in the 8th century, murdered every person who refused to bow their knee to Allah and Muhammad. They dipped their hats in the blood and proudly wore them as symbols of victory. While some Masons argue the validity to this bit of trivia, the fact remains that the Fez is the symbol of Islam! Why, would a Christian man, proudly wear a symbol of Islam? I will continue with the fact that, in Northern Africa, and in Fez, Morocco, history does show that the Muslims slaughtered many Jews who would not succumb to their religion. Ref. Jewish Virtual Library, Wikipedia.
Alhambra, the name of this Shriner Temple, was the fortress of the Moorish Kings in 13-14th century. The Moors were Muslims from N. Africa who conquered the Iberian Peninsula in the 8th Century and were also the same inhabitants of Morocco who killed Christians described above. After the land was recaptured by Hispanic Christians, all professed Muslims were expelled. (Websters Encyclopedia) Where does the money from the Shriner Circuses really go? Shriners are well known for their famous Circuses where they claim to raise money for their burn hospitals. It is a little known fact, that they are really "using" the burn hospitals to accumulate great wealth for themselves! In June, 1986, a daily newspaper in Florida, the Orlando Sentinel published a report on the Shrine hospital program. 98% of the money the Shriners raise in these circuses wasn't going to the hospitals. It went to the Shriners for their parties. Ninety-eight percent went to their little cars

and their little boats and their temples, their little hats and stuff. 2% went to the hospitals.
The Orlando Sentinel writes "Estimates from available records also show that Shrine hospitals in 1984 received just 1 percent, or $182,000, of an estimated $17.5 million in profits from about 175 Shrine circuses.
Only one of the 76 temples for which IRS records were available reported contributing any circus money to the hospital system." (to read the full article click here) * As of 9-30-04, Forbes reports that the Shriners had assets of $8.62 billion. Of the $948 mil. raised, the Shriners retained $412 mil with only a slight more than half, $505 mil. going to charitable services! Top Shriner, Ralph Semb, was paid $406,659 in salaries. * As of
12-31-06, Forbes magazine reports the Shriners have amassed a $9.54 billion empire retaining $636 million of the money raised that same year. Top Shriner, James Full, collected a healthy $1,207,369 in salaries. While appealing to the compassion of the general public, using crippled children as the bait, these men have found a very profitable business through the covering of these hospitals. If you would like to know where your "Shriner" donations are going, look at their "Shrines" (Temples), Harley Davidsons, go carts, jewlery, and the cars they drive! Are they any different than the covetous TV prosperity preachers that use an honorable and charitable cause in order to fatten their own pocketbook? Video - On this 2 minute interview with a Shriner at the Southeastern Shriner's Convention in Chattanooga, TN the summer of 2007, this Shriner not only confesses that He is Lucifer, but he also adds that Lucifer is "Pure, Virtuous, Wholesome and Innocent!" Google Video Although they still confess that Jesus is the son of God, and claim to be "born again," these men declare that Lucifer is "good!"

Ritual of the Shriners where they go beyond the Devils path to worship the shrine of Islam

Section 1

Also check out

How the Messiah's name was mishandled by Greek translators?
Opening Ceremonies
Illustrious Potentate, one rap with gavel or sceptre: We are about to open ... Temple for business and ceremonies. Officers will take their stations.
Officers take their stations, but do not robe. Each officer, except the Illustrious Potentate, arises when addressed, and remains standing.
Illustrious Potentate, one rap: Noble Chief Rabban, that no interloper or spy may intrude upon the ceremonies of our Mystic Rite, it is my command that you summon your proper officers and receive from them our mystic pass; disperse them with alacrity in and about the Temple to receive the same from all within our portals, and communicate to you, that you may give me the assurance that no ignoble here intrudes.
Chief Rabban, one rap: Nobles First and Second Ceremonial Masters, have you the Mystic Pass?
First and Second Ceremonial Masters: Noble Chief Rabban, we have.
Chief Rabban: Approach and give it. First and Second Ceremonial Masters approach and whisper....
Chief Rabban: It is the command of our Illustrious Potentate that you forthwith receive the Mystic Pass from each and everyone in or about the body of the Temple, and return the same to me that I may give assurance that no ignoble spy intrudes upon the ceremonies of our Mystic Rite.
First and Second Ceremonial Masters, each on one side of the Temple receive the Mystic Pass Each Noble arises and whispers. The pass is not required of the Illustrious Potentate,. Chief Rabban and Assistant Rabban, but should be required of the Outer Guard. If any be present without the pass, the Ceremonial Master announces aloud, "an Intruder." The one without the pass is vouched for or expelled. Returning, the Second Ceremonial Master communicates the pass to the First Ceremonial Master and the First Ceremonial Master communicates it to the Chief Rabban.
Chief Rabban: Illustrious Potentate, our Mystic Shrine is secure and free from jeopardy; there are none present save Nobles of our Mystic Rite.
Illustrious Potentate: It is well. Let us be clothed.
Officers vest themselves with their robes and jewels.
Each member dons fez and white gloves. All are seated.
Illustrious Potentate, one rap: Noble Assistant Rabban, inform the Captain of the Guard, and he his comrade, the Outer Guard that ... Temple is about to be opened for business and ceremonies, and both take heed to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.
Assistant Rabban, one rap: Noble Captain of the Guard, you will inform your comrade, the Outer Guard, that ...
Temple is about to be opened for business and ceremonies. It is the command of our Illustrious Potentate that you both take heed and permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.
Captain of the Guard goes to the inner door, opens it, and instructs the Outer Guard. He then closes the door and gives ** * raps, which is answered by the same number from the Outer Guard.
Captain of the Guard: Noble Assistant Rabban, our Outer Guard stands instructed; we are under a

double-guard; picketed by a tried and trusty officer without; one who knows his duty; vigilantly assisted by the Captain of the Guard within.
Assistant Rabban: Illustrious Potentate, our sacred Temple is under a double and trusty guard.
Illustrious Potentate: Since all present are Nobles of the Mystic Shrine and our Temple securely guarded, let us form about the altar and unite in singing our opening ode.
All arise and form semi-circle, opening towards the Orient.
High Priest goes to altar on east side and faces the Nobles, when the first verse or more of the Shrine ode is sung.
"Joy is a fruit that will not grow In nature's barren soil;
The Saviour calls for you and me, In His vineyard to toil!"
The last verse to be sung only at closing of the Temple After the ode, the High Priest offers the following prayer: "Father and Creator, who hast given us life and being, aid us to perform the duties which Thy law and our vows impose upon us. Thou hast vouchsafed to call us Thy children, and doth graciously permit us to call Thee Father. May Thy name be our glory and our confidence, our defense and guard, our ornament and strength, our dignity and the motive of obedience. May it confirm and sustain us in our good solutions, and make us steadfast never to desert the post of duty. Let our bodies be chaste, our thoughts pure, our words gentle, our lives useful and innocent, to the honor and commendation of Masonry and the Mystic Shrine.
Make us patient of the evils with which we may be afflicted, lovers of the good which Thou commendest, haters of all vice which Thou forbiddest, and satisfied with all Thou sendest. Let us not be tempted with want, nor made contemptible by beggary, nor wantonly proud by riches, nor in love with anything in this world to the disregard of duty. Look upon us with mercy; forgive our imperfections, and accept with compassion the little service we may be able to render to the cause of justice, truth and common humanity. And to Thee be all glory and honor, forever. Amen."
All: So mote it be. Amen, Amen, Amen.
Illustrious Potentate: Noble Oriental Guide, you will now display the Holy writings and other appropriate emblems.
Oriental Guide opens the Bible (1st chapter of Job:
Koran 38th chapter) arranges them on the altar, Koran in front of the Bible, Bible and Koran in arch of two crossed scimitars on the Altar.
Illustrious Potentate: Nobles, behold the Orient and attend the signs.
Signs given.
Illustrious Potentate: ** *, Chief Rabban: ** *, Assistant Rabban: ** *.
Illustrious Potentate: In the name of God, our Father, and by the existence of Allah, the creed of Mohammed, and the legendary sanctity of the Temple of Mecca, I now proclaim this Temple regularly opened for business and ceremony, and hereby forbid any discord that might mar our mystic rites. Noble Captain of the Guard, you will inform the Outer Guard. Captain of the Guard informs the Outer Guard.

Captain of the Guard: Illustrious Potentate, the Outer Guard has your command and the Temple is secure.
One rap. All are seated.
Initiation, section 1
This 1st section is sacred: No play should be permitted.
Temple darkened. Furniture: Altar of Obligation covered with black cloth, the Bible, the Koran and two crossed scimitars thereon. Left of east; Altar of Incense with burning Myrrh, right of east; Bier and Coffin, each half way between east and Altar of Obligation; Layer of Water in south; gong to the left of the Assistant Rabban in the south. The Black Stone placed In the southeast corner of the Temple (the extreme left of the Potentate).
Officers in their respective stations and places; members seated
Illustrious Potentate: Noble First Ceremonial Master, you will retire to the outer walls and ascertain if any Novices await our pleasure.
First Ceremonial Master comes before the Altar of Obligation, salutes the Illustrious Potentate with the sign of salutation and retires and secures the desired information, and returning before the Altar, salutes and reports.
Note: The last sign given in addressing the Illustrious Potentate is the sign of salutation.
First Ceremonial Master: Illustrious Potentate, there are without ... candidates in waiting; Novices, who seek admission to our Mystic Shrine.
Illustrious Potentate: Noble Recorder, have the petitions ... been received in open Temple, and have they paid the required eas, been balloted for and duly elected?
Recorder: Illustrious Potentate, they have, and their characters have been canvassed and found to come within the bounds of good report. They have each passed the ordeal of the secret ballot of our Mystic Shrine unsullied and vouched for by Nobles of our rite.
Illustrious Potentate: It is well. Nobles First and Second Ceremonial Masters, accompanied by our Noble Marshal, you will retire without the Temple and prepare these Novices for reception in our Mystic Shrine. hey go to Altar and salute, then retire and prepare the Novices by removing their shoes, coats, vests, and collars and clothing them with white dominoes and slippers; hand-cuffed or tied at the wrists. When the candidates are ready, the Ceremonial Masters take charge of them and give ** * knocks at the outer door.
The response from within is a loud clatter of chains being with-drawn, the removal of several large bolts, after which the door is opened by the Oriental Guide.
Oriental Guide: What is the cause of this clamorous alarm? Who dares intrude upon the ceremonies of our Mystic Shrine?
First Ceremonial Master: One, two or three poor sons of the desert who are weary of the hot sands and burning sun of the plains, humbly crave shelter under the protecting dome of the Temple.
Oriental Guide: How may we know them to be worthy and not of treacherous or ignoble birth?
First Ceremonial Master: Their characters having been canvassed and coming within the bounds of

good report, they have passed the ordeal of the secret ballot of our Mystic Shrine unsullied, and I espouse their cause and sanction their reception with the secret pass.
Oriental Guide: Give me the pass.
First Ceremonial Master advances and whispers, ...
Oriental Gulde: 'Tis well; let them enter.
They enter, preceded by the Marshal, Ceremonial Masters and their assistants, conducting the candidates, Oriental Guide leading the way.
Illustrious Potentate: ***, all rise.
Gong sounds once, music. They march twice around counter-clockwise with music or singing, or both; the gong sounds each time they reach the east; when they arrive at the east after the second circuit, the Illustrious Potentate raps *; all are seated. Candidates and escort halt.
Illustrious Potentate: What strange intruders have we here Our pleasures were most perfect and should be sacred from this turmoil and display.
Previous to the entrance of the candidates, the Captain of the Guard has chosen a number of Nobles and they have dressed as Arabic soldiers with broad scimitars; they are stationed outside and drilled and ready for duty when wanted. The soldiers now rush in, seize the candidates and hustle them toward the door, when the Oriental Guide supplicatingly answers. Soldiers halt with candidates.
Oriental Guide: Illustrious Potentate, 'tis I who have ushered in one, two or three poor sons of the desert, who being weary of the hot sands and burning sun of the plains, humbly crave that sacred boon of the weary and thirsty traveler: a cup of water and shelter under the protecting dome of our goodly Temple. I do commend them to your favor, having found them worthy and not of treacherous or ignoble purpose, each having passed the ordeal of the secret ballot of our Mystic Shrine unsullied and vouched for by a Noble with our secret pass.
Illustrious Potentate: Noble Guide, know you the penalty of broken faith and do you stand forth as ransom for them all?
Oriental Guide: Illustrious Potentate, I do.
Illustrious Potentate: So be it then. Conduct them once again about our Shrine to our Noble High Priest, that he may imprint upon the tablets of their memories a knowledge of the duties they do here assume.
Candidates are conducted around to the High Priest and Prophet, who is robed and wearing a mitre.
High Priest: Strangers, are your motives for coming among us honorable, pure and free from hope of gain or pride of knowledge?
Candidates: They are.
High Priest: Have you a belief in the existence of a Deity, future rewards and punishments?
Candidates: I have.
High Priest: Have you a desire to promote justice and suppress wrong?
Candidates: I have.

High Priest: Have you a due regard for female virtue?
Candidates: I have.
High Priest: Are you willing to jeopardize your life, if need be, to punish the guilty and protect the innocent, and labor in the cause of justice, truth and common humanity?
Candidates: 1 am.
High Priest: Have you still a desire to unite with us in the inseparable bonds of the Mystic Shrine for the purposes to which you have assented?
Candidates: I have.
High Priest: If you have answered in sincerity and in truth these replies, I can assure you that no conflicting sentiment nor requirement here will mar your principles nor your duties in the outside world, be they what they may. Our alliance, or the rite of our Mystic Shrine, is ancient, honorable, benevolent and secret. It is devoted to the cause of justice, truth, and mercy. It is as ancient as the cornerstone of Mohammed's Temple at Mecca; as secret as the Moslem vow that bound the tribes of Arabia to Allah or their God; as honorable as the Christian; and the tenets to which it is dedicated when assumed cannot be eschewed or cast aloof. We know no retrogression, justice is our escutcheon; charity beyond reason we do not expect; virtue must be regarded for its peerless worth and morality observed for the general good of all. We require absolute secrecy and desire all our discipies to hold an interest in our noble cause and a just observance of the tenets of our faith. Let the preliminary teachings be deeply graven upon your hearts. They are priceless when well observed and attributes that cannot be bought with paltry, sordid gold. By the existence of Allah and the creed of Mohammed; by the legendary sanctity of our Tabernacle at Mecca, we greet you, and in commemoration of the Arab's faith in purity and innocence, we accept your answers as sincere, and you will now be permitted to proceed in the rites and ceremonies of the Mystic Shrine. The Oriental Guide and escort will now conduct you onward, while you will reverently lend an attentive ear to our preparatory service.
Gong, music. Candidates proceed from station to station.
Illustrious Potentate: Who is he who hath professcd to have conversed in person with the Supreme and maketh himself mightiest of the mighty? Mohammed, the Prophet of the Arab's creed.
Gong. Music.
Chief Rabban: Who but Mohammed mingled his religion with his Houril and said: "Are not these the true sources of happiness?"
Gong. Music.
Assistant Rabban: What shall befall them who have reflected with abhorrence that which the Prophet hath revealed? Wherefore their works shall not avail; do they not travel through the earth and see the end of those who were before them?
Gong. Music.
High Priest: Why do unbelievers indulge themselves and eat beasts? Shall not their portion be a torment? Appeal to the Prophets for the truth.

Gong. Music.
Illustrious Potentate: To whom shall be meted out the boiling waters to drink, that they shall burst their bowels and shall be cast into molten lava to be consumed?
The infidels who wait until the last hour of justice.
Gong. Music.
Chief Rabban: Let us be of the number of those who bathe in the fountain of incorruptible waters and rivers of milk, the taste whereof changeth not: and rivers of wine, pleasant and purifying to those who drink, and enter into the vineyards where fruits rare and plenty ever abound, and no evil exists.
Gong. Music.
Assistant Rabban: He who follows the plain declaration of his dictator will ever avoid those whose evil works have been dressed for them by the devil and who follow up their own lusts.
Gong. Music.
High Priest: There are Moslems among us; there are others who swerve from propriety: but who so seeketh Islam earnestly seeks true direction; but those who swerve from truth and justice shall merit and reap abundance of chastisement.
Illustrious Potentate: Let us purify one another. There are two highways to good and evil; attempt not the city of destruction. Ye all be possessed of the faculty of distinguishing and the power of choosing between wickedness and piety. The punishment of each will be equal to the measure of his sin.
Gong and music until the candidates arrive at the east, where they halt.
Illustrious Potentate: Sons of the Desert, you have advanced through the preliminary ceremonies of the Nobility of the Mystic Shrine as far as it is possible unobligated. Before advancing further in our cause, you will be required to assume a most powerful and binding oath, inseparably uniting yourselves with us, and when once taken, it can never be retracted or departed from.
But I assure you, therein is not contained a sentiment exceptionable to all that may become an honest, upright man, be his beliefs what they may. Are you willing to assume such an obligation?
Candidates: I am.
Illustrious Potentate: Conduct the Sons of the Desert to our sacred and holy Altar.
Candidates are conducted around to the west and to the Altar of Obligation amid sound of gong, drum and music. They kneel at the Altar with bound hands resting upon the Holy writings, heads bowed. Illustrious Potentate strikes *** to summon all around the Altar.
Illustrious Potentate, to candidates: Repeat after me: ...,of my voluntary desire, uninfluenced and of free accord, do here assume, without reserve, the obligation of the Nobility of the Mystic Shrine, as did the elect of the Temple at Mecca, the Moslem and the Mohammedan. I do hereby, upon this Bible, and on the mysterious legend of the Koran, and its dedication to the Mohammedan faith, promise and swear and vow on the faith and honor of an upright man, come weal or woe, adversity or success, that I will never reveal any secret part or portion whatsoever of the ceremonies I have

already received, that are about to be communicated to me or that I may hereafter be instructed in, to any person in the world, except it be to a well known member of the Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and I knowing to an absolute certainty that he or they be truly and lawfully such, and of good standing with such Nobility. That I will not be present, aid or countenance the conferring of the Order of the Mystic Shrine upon any person who is not a Masonic Knights Templar or a Thirty-second Degree Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Mason, in good standing.

I furthermore promise and vow that I will not willfully write, cut, speak, or portray any detail that might be construed into even a clue to the same, except for offlcial Temple work.

Furthermore, I do here register a sacred vow, promising, should I live to become a member, I will impartially cast a black ballot without fear or favor against friend or foe applying for membership in the Nobility of the Mystic Shrine, whom I believe to be disgraced, dishonored, a thief, perjurer, murderer, a lunatic, an idiot or a criminal.

And should I, undismayed, pass safely through the Moslem test, and be found worthy of the confidence of my fellows, albeit, I do not actively espouse the cause, still L do promise to be silent, even if neutral, and not oppose the purposes of the Order.

I further promise and vow that I will obey the laws and submit to the decrees of the Imperial Council of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America and Jurisdictions, Inc., and that I will not acknowledge. recognize nor be present in any other body of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine claiming to be superior in authority, nor be present in any Temple not holding constitutional authority from the said Imperial Council of the Mystic Shrine.

I furthermore promise and vow that to the full measure of my ability I will never swerve from justice nor duty.

That I will respect virtue; protect the innocent; assist the distressed; promote the inculcation of honor and integrity, and dispense reasonable charity. That I will protect and defend the unsullied honor of any Noble of the Mystic Shrine, when absent, if assailed. And upon this sacred book, by the sincerity of a Moslem's oath, I here register this irrevocable vow, in wilful violation whereof may I incur the fearful penalty of having my eyeballs pierced to the center with a three-edged blade, my feet flayed and I be forced to walk the hot sands upon the sterile shores of the Red Sea until the flaming sun shall strike me with livid plague; and may Allah, the God of Arab, Moslem and Mohammed, and the God of our fathers, support me to the entire fulfillment of the same. Amen, Amen, Amen.

Illustrious Potentate: In token of your sincerity, salute the sacred book, the Bible, upon which you lean and rest. Each Candidate ktsses the Bible.

Illustrious Potentate: Nobles, let us kneel and pray to our Heavenly Father to assist these Poor Sons of the Desert.

All kneel on right knee. The High Priest comes to the Altar on the east side and offers the following prayer.

High Priest: Our Father, who art in heaven, the only true God; look kindly upon these Poor Sons of

the Desert, now about to become Nobles of this Order, and Thy servants. Aid them to perform punctually the vows they have assumed. Strengthen their good resolutions, and suffer not temptation to overcome them. Make them true Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and teach them to exercise whatsoever powers they may possess with gentleness and moderation and for the benefit of humanity and to Thy glory. Aid them to be true and loyal; frank and sincere, and may this be to them and to all Nobles here below, but preparation for final admission into the mysteries of Thy heaven of perfect peace and happiness. Amen.
All: Forgive us our trespasses, 0 Father, as we forgive those that trespass against us. Amen, Amen. Amen.
Illustrious Potentate: Unbind these Sons of the Desert.
They are now of Noble birth. The rays of the hot, flaming sun upon the sterile shores of the Red Sea are strong and more scathing than the hempen thong.
Illustrious Potentate seats the Nobles with one rap (*).
Candidates arise and their wrists are unbound.
Illustrious Potentate: Our Noble Oriental Guide will now conduct the Sons of the Desert to our purifying cavern in the south. It is the Fountain of Mecca. Let them there wash their hands in innocency, cleansing themselves of the snares of sin and vice that they may have had surrounding them, and let them be returned to us free from the stains of iniquity.
Candidates are conducted to the fountain with music.
After washing, they are conducted to the east.
Illustrious Potentate: My friends, it is with pleasure that I extend to you the greetings of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine and congratulate you upon having thus far passed the ceremonies of our Order; bear bravely up to the Moslem test and prove your fidelity to our cause.
Although vague may appear the prospect in our ceremony and the aspect of our purpose, let me assure you that there is a deep and formidable meaning in it all, and when you shall have passed unflinching and undismayed our final test of your fidelity, nerve and courage, then will you indeed be worthy to espouse our cause; but mark well, should you ultimately decline to enlist actively in our cause, you are still bound by the strongest ties to remain neutral. Remember this and continue faithful unto death; but ere we impart to you our formidable purpose you must prove your fidelity and courage. We do not expect all to join actively in our work, but those who do not unite in the task must applaud our deeds, or by silence favor not an adverse faction to gain sway.
With this admonition, I yield up to our Noble Guide and his cohorts who will conduct you to the ante-room and blindfold you, and one by one you will be subjected to the Moslem test of courage. And should an unforeseen disaster come, we are duty bound to honor and protect those who are left near and dear to you. Ere you depart, we bid you God-speed and adieu.
High Priest, approaching toward the east and raising both hands: And may Allah protect and support you, that you be not cast into "al hotama" (hell). Now let our secret vaults open to their width, that the vapors of damp stagnation may pass away. Open the passage to the desert and

disperse our trusty Arabs in full array for the Moslem test. Away
Candidates conducted out under solemn music to be prepared for the second section

Ritual of the Shriners where they go beyond the Devils path to worship the shrine of Islam

Section 2

Each candidate is in custody of an Arab soldier, and takes his turn for initiation. They are put through blindfolded; each one should be compelled to traverse the hot sands, devil's pass. mock trial, hanging, and kiss the Black Stone.
In the Preparation Room they are told by the Oriental Guide: A rough and rugged road is before you; it is beset with an er an with difficulties. Your life will be threatened, and you may lose it. But remember, those who die in the faith, will be resurrected in glory; therefore summon to your aid courage: that truly great Masonic qualification which puts on a fearless and courageous attitude; which scorns the acts of a coward, who but apes the conduct of a hero. Therefore suffer yourselves to be initiated with all the forms and ceremonies of this ancient and honorable institution.
Do you all assent to this trial of fortitude; that truly distinctive Masonic qualification?
Candidates: I do.
Candidates are then led into the room with hands pinioned behind them and blindfolded. They are put on the journey over the "Hot Sands," with an Arab soldier on each side, pricking them with his scimitar to hurry them along, and when one falls down, a blow with the flat of a scimitar causes him to arise. After they have gone around two or three times, two are selected to escape enemies who they are told are approaching on a mission of murdering all who have not passed the
"Bung Hole Test."
The Bung Hole Test
The large metal cylinder is then produced, stretched out about 30 feet. Each candidate is asked if he was ever called a coward or turned his back on an enemy. He is prompted to say "No, I perform all I undertake, and never back down or out" They are then led to opposite ends of the big cylinder, caused to enter, and are told to hurry as the enemy is approaching. The center of the cylinder contains a strong network of cord or wire, preventing either from passing through. They meet in the middle and strive to pass each other while the Arabs pound on the outside with clubs and scimitars, till they are satisfied; when they ask the candidates if they wish to go on or back out. They of course back down and out ; when they come out they are given a lecture on their assurance and told to never be too sure of a thing until they have tried it. They are one by one stretched out on the floor to rest. While in this position, a small dog, or one who can imitate a dog, is caused to give a sharp yelp, just after a few drops of warm water has been squirted on the candidates face, and someone says,
'Take that dog out; he has just urinated in the face of Mr.... A general laugh takes place, after which

the candidate is shown the trick.
The "Bumper" is next used. A slide, such as is used on playgrounds for children is put up, standing about six feet high at one end, with a sharp drop to the bottom at the other end. A ladder is placed for the candidate to reach the board at the top of the slide. This board is hinged so as to let the candidate slide. The candidate asceuds the ladder and is seated on the board, his legs hang. ing over the concave side of the slide. He is then told to take hold of a large rope, about two feet long, held up by a small string or thread, and is instructed under no circumstances to let go of the rope. When he has firmly grasped the rope, the board is dropped, and he is shot down the slide. thumping himself upon any obstructions which may be placed to receive him.
He is then conducted to the Illustrious Potentate, whom he is commanded to approach with humble and great reverence, stooping very low. his head near the ground, his buttocks elevated; he then receives the "Grand Salaam" or stroke of introduction, which is a blow on the buttocks with a paddle so made as to explode a torpedo or blank cartridge. He is then introduced to the Illustrious Potentate, but is told to stand perfectly still during the ceremony. The candidate is stood on a metallic plate, connected with a galvanic battery, which is turned on during the introduction. He is then taken to task for not standing still as told.
A social meeting is then in order, the candidates being personally introduced to the officers and menibers. A selected candidate is left talking to two of the best boxers. One of them says to the other, "I will bet you a dollar that I can guess nearer to this brother's age than you can." The other takes the bet, and the money is placed in the hands of another Noble. The bettors, after they have made some ridiculous guesses, ask the age of the person. When he tells his age, they quarrel about it; each gives the other the lie. A challenge is then given and accepted. A ring is formed, two of the candidates are chosen as Seconds, but as soon as the gloves are produced (large boxing gloves), the Illustrious Potentate appears, stops the fight, fines each of the fighters one hundred dollars, and declares that the seconds (candidates) must fight it out for their respective clients. That is, supposing A and B to be the disputants, A's second must fight B, and B's second with A. The ring is formed and the candidates meeting of course with some skilled Noble, get some rather hard knocks, which the Nobles and other candidates enjoy.
While the fighting is going on, some Noble makes complaint that he has been robbed, his pocket picked.
He has previously put a package, or some valuable article in the pocket or clothes of one of the candidates.
A general search follows; the missing property is found on a candidate who has not been exercised much, and he is at once charged with the theft, is pitched onto by two or three of the Nobles. Roughly hustled out of the room for trial, stripped of his clothing, except for a pair of drawers, he is then blindfolded, and after being led around the room, is seated on a large sponge filled with ice water; when the news comes that he has been forgiven on account of his good character, which has just been received by telegraph; he is lcd out and invested with his clothes.

While the foregoing is being enacted, candidates who have escaped the prize fight, etc., are conducted into another room, where they either find several members disguised as women, or find them discussing an expected visit of "Lady Nobles of the Shrine," or they are told that such a visit is Jo be made that evening and a committee may be appointed to receive them in a proper manner. Each candidate is stripped to shirt, drawers and slippers, blindfolded and led around the room several times when he is halted.

Oriental Gulde to candidate: This is the place where our brethren stop to sprinkle the devil's pass with urine. You will contribute a few drops of urine to commemorate the time and place where all who pass this way, here renounce the wiles and evils of the world and promise to ever worship at the Shrine of Islam. Only a few drops will do.

The candidate begins to obey instructions and the blinder is jerked from his eyes; he then beholds before him a group disguised as women, with bonnets and capes, peeping over a screen. He is allowed to escape from the room while the onlookers give him the laugh.

Meanwhile, and during these scenes another drama is taking place. Some member goes out. calls the most timid candidate aside, and he is left alone with the member who should be his friend. The member then hastily endeavors to encourage him, and tells him confidentially that he wiji not be harmed; that it is all ceremony, etc., and although organized as a Vigilance Inquisition abroad, in this country it is entirely a social order. Then he gives him a password, sign, etc., hastily in confidence and in full.

When fully confided, he is discovered by some officer or member who becomes enraged at the member so disclosing, and they have some sharp words; the discoverer declares he will report the matter to the Illustrious Potentate.

The member replies, "Do as you please." (This is all on the outside.) It is then whispered about and opinions are expressed so that the rest of the candidates can hear it that there will be trouble about such exposure because it is unlawful to give such information before the candidate is through the initiation. (This candidate is then left until the last.)

Meanwhile, the friend (member) who has betrayed the signs, departs to another room, is divested of his shirt, pants and shoes and at the proper time bound at the wrists, and made up to give him a ghastly appearance. iie keeps out of sight and awaits the coming ceremony, or clothes himself with a domino and mask and waits until required.

Another member, preferably a slender, fragile. smooth-faced young man, is selected to be robed as a woman or Arab girl, in flowing robes, gathered tightly at the waist, bare arms and neck, female wig or striped silk handkerchief about the head and otherwise disguised as much as possible. He is covered with a domino and masked to enter the Temple, and seated with a lightweight or spare member: one not too prominent or well-known. This member has on a domino beneath which he has his coat, vest and white shirt; under the shirt is buckled a wide, soft-padded belt, f astoned around under the arm-pits with two straps passing over the back from front of shoulders, and two from the shoulder blades; behind all four, unite in a ring or swivel at tife back of the neck, ready for harmless

execution by hanging at the proper time.
These disguised members, being all prepared, sit around in dominoes and masked, in some obscure corner to await the ceremonies. Officers and members all robed and masked.
The Layer, Altar of Incense and all the furniture are placed about the Temple on each side. In the north a scaffold is erected of two upright and one horizontal joists; painted black and strong enough to support a man when suspended; a hole is in the center of the horizontal bar and a pulley on the right corner for the rope to slide over, also a strong peg on the center of the right perpendicular bar or post on which to fasten the rope after elevating the man, with a clasp on the end of the noose in the center to hook into the ring at the back of the culprit's neck.
The gibbet should be high enough to enable the executioners to raise the extremeties about thrac fact from the floor and leave a space of two or three feet above the head. A member with white robe, skull and skeleton-faced-mask stands in front of the scaffold, robed in black, to elevate the culprit. (Scaffold may have black curtains about it, if desired, to conceal the executioners at the side.)
Furthermore, a headsman's block is placed in the south covered with black. A headsman with a curved blade battle-axe, clothed in scarlet robe gathered about the waist, with belt and scimitar, wearing scarlet mask, presides at the block. Beside the block lies a false head on the floor with a black cloth covering it. The head may be made up to resemble one of the members, if desired. A small bowl or dish should also be In readiness on a stand for the ceremony of bleeding.
All being now in readiness, the trip over the rough, sandy desert is begun.
The candidates are hoodwinked, and in bare feet, enter one by one, after three loud alarms. At first they proceed onastrip of carpet, then upon a spread of corn husks, then a strip of sheeting; or a long, narrow, shallow pan, strewn with pebbles and sand. (Alcohol has been poured over the sand and pebbles, and they are well heated.) Then follows a ladder with close rounds, folded camp-stools, a roller and any rough road which may be conveniently prepared. During this time pandemonium reigns; drum, fife, rattle, bugle, gong and every din-making instrument which can be procured, is in use. The candidates are given about all they can stand, and are then conducted back to the outer door.
They are again brought in one by one, amid the din, over-powered, thrown into a hammock or canvas, folded in and swung from side to side or bounced upward, carried hastily about and finally placed in some apartment to await the other candidates. When all have passed this ordeal, collect them together in the anteroom, remove the relics of the desert and at once place the Temple in order for the last ceremony or third section.
All being in readiness, officers should he at their posts, executioners at scaffold, skeleton masked in front of same, headsman at the block, etc. In front of east, seven seats are prepared for seven men called the
"Council of the Inquisition"
Before the alarm the Potentate calls the "Council" together. The Potentate occupies the center

chair, one Rabban on each side, the remaining chairs being filled by other officers or members; the High Priest occupies the east, wielding the sceptre; all masked except the Potentate and the High Priest; room quite dark Ceremonial Masters are outside with candidates clothed in white robes or dominoes, with shoes on and not hoodwinked.

Ritual of the Shriners where they go beyond the Devils path to worship the shrine of Islam

Section 3

First Ceremonial Master strikes outside, loudly upon the door with wooden mallet.
Oriental Guide, inside, returns the alarm, opens the wicket and says: Why this clamorous alarm?
Ceremonial Master: One, two or three candidates pursuing the secrets of the Mystic Shrine.
Oriental Guide: Have they the Mystic pass?
Ceremonial Master: They have it not, but I have it for them.
Oriental Guide: Give me the pass.
Ceremonial Master, in a whisper: ....
Oriental Guide: Let them enter.
Chains are drawn; gong sounds low; soft music; door is opened. Candidates conducted to the west, seated in front of the Chief Rabban.
Illustrious Potentate: My friends, having passed through the ordeal of traversing the hot sands of the desert undismayed, you are now returned for the final ceremonies. But we find ourselves compelled most unexpectedly to hold a secret inquisition to judge and execute upon a traitorous element within our Temple such penalty as may be decreed. I must, however, stay those proceedings to briefly Invest you with the knowledge of our secrets.
If it be your desire to decline an active part; you are sacredly bound to secrecy and silence.
Our mission is to succor the distressed, relieve the oppressed, protect the innocent and punish the guilty; to equalize station, establish harmony in all creeds, crush fanaticism and intolerance and perpetuate the welfare of mankind.
Crime is running rife over the land; our laws are deemed inadequate for the emergency, and we are exponents of a vigilance inquisition to promptly execute and punish the malefactor, the thief, the murderer, the despoiler of innocence and virtue, the violator of obligation and desecrator of the Masonic vow. Our purpose is to strike terror in the heart of the criminal class by bringing them speedily and without mercy to the block or to the bowstring of the Mystic Shrine.
To arrest, judge, and execute within the hour, and thus take the law within our own grasp and summarily punish the malefactor. Blood for blood and life for life, and as our fleet-footed justice overtakes and punishes the evil-doer, aye, even in the heat of misdeed, it will be a lesson to those who remain and know not the fate of the departed.
The day is not far distant when the name and the escutcheon of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine will

strike a pallid terror to the wild devouring element of crime, and the thankful prayers of the unprotected will attest the justice of our cause.
I will now invest you with the salutations, signs, grip, and passwords of our Order.
Illustrious Potentate proceeds to instruct the candidates in the signs, grip and passwords of our Order.
Just as the Illustrious Potentate finishes these instructions to the candidates, the Captain of the Guard discovers a member with a disguised female in the Temple and he at once shouts: Most Noble High Priest and Prophet, a spy, an intruder, a traitor is in the Temple.
All arise; confusion. Ceremonial Masters, Guide and Priest proceed to where the member and female are sitting, trying to hide themselves.
Captain of the Guard: Most Noble High Priest and Prophet, I have but now discovered an intruder accompanied by a woman; both without the secret pass, who have gained admission into the Temple.
The woman is pointed out and the mask snatched from her face.
High Priest and Prophet: By our faith, we are betrayed Both are seized by the Guide and Ceremonial Masters, and they are surrounded by the excited inquisitors, who shout: To the executioner with them!
Illustrious Potentate: Hold! Stand aside! Strip our mantle from that female form; bind and hold her fast.
Domino and hood taken off and the woman stands, held fast, white-robed and dismayed.
Illustrious Potentate, pointing to male member: Strip and hang that spy without delay.
Officers roughly strip member to shirt and pants. He has been previously painted pale and haggard, and is prepared for execution as before directed.
Illustrious Potentate: Stranger, have you no defense? If not, you must meet the death of a spy.
Culprit shakes his head. No.
Illustrious Potentate: Then let the culprit be executed.
He is hurried to the scaffold, the executioner, in skeleton mask, adjusts the noose. A loose piece of rope being placed about his neck, to appear real.
High Priest and Prophet, kneeling before the gallows:
Thus do we yield up thy life for our own security, and may justice, peace and mercy abide with thee.
Executioner places on the black cap; High Priest and Prophet arises and holds up handkerchief; as he lets it drop and gong sounds and the victim is suspended in the air. He struggles an instant and then hangs silent and apparently lifeless.
Illustrious Potentate: Thus perish our enetales. Noble Guide, seat that miscreant woman by the block and cut a deep crescent upon her naked breast. We cannot take her life.
Oriental Guide: Illustrious Potentate, she has already swooned.
Illustrious Potentate: The better still; she will not know her pains. Cut the crescent on her breast and drag her from our Temple. She'll not forget the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

She is dragged in a chair to the block, a bowl brought, her breast is bared and a knife is seen in the hands of the headsman. The bowl is held in front and an officer stands behind holding under the arm of the woman a rubber bulb with a stem, containing about a pint of red wine; a cut, a groan, and the blood (the wine) flows into the bowl. The bowl is set on the block, a red stained towel is also thrown down; and she is borne from the Temple, in the chair to an outer chamber.
High Priest and Prophet, taking up the bowl: Most Noble Council of the Inquisition, now, in testimony of the justice of our cause, let us in this maiden's blood, seal the alliance of our bond of secrecy and silence, and let this day's bloody work in the deepest recesses of every Noble's heart be buried.
High Priest and Prophet and seven inquisitors drink.
Curtain in front of scaffold may be drawn and the executed let down for rest. The officer who detected the member exposing the work, now arises. The member is without and fully prepared.
High Priest and Prophet: Illustrious Potentate, I now demand censure or punishment upon a member, Noble mentioning name, upon whose case this inquisitor's tribunal has deliberated; accused he is of treason in our midst, exposing our secrete to a friend and candidate within our very Temple.
Illustrious Potentate: Let him be brought before us.
Second culprit brought in, stripped, as described, to shirt and pants.
Illustrious Potentate: Sir, you have been openly accused of treason and betrayal of our faith, not only here, but without our Temples walls. The Vigilance linquisition has tried, judged and sentenced you; what is your defense?
Oriental Guide: Illustrious Potentate and Inquisitors of our Council, let me appeal to this tribunal to temper justice with mercy, and in slight extenuation of this crime, let me offer this defense: being loose of tongue when plied with wine and most earnestly importuned by his best beloved friend, he, in part, did yield all us good nature, but intent on friendship and not meaning harm, frivolously related who and what we were and the object of our cause. And this his friend and companion, now comes to beard us in our lair and exonerate himself by the assumption of our vows. Therefore, I do opine, their punishment should be equal and each to assume the wrong or let the Novice assume it all, for 'tis monstrous to leave his friend to perish for a crime prompted by himself.
Illustrious Potentate to candidate: Stranger Knight thus accused, arise. What say you to this grave charge?
Candidate answers. No matter what.
Culprit Member: By my Moslem oath, Illustrious Potentate, all that has been said by our Noble Guide is true. That I have erred I cannot deny, but all that I in confidence imported to him, I am informed that he loosely brawled about, hence I must suffer for his crime.
Illustrious Potentate: Hold, enough! Most High Priest and Prophet, to you do I appeal for judgment. Although our Council has before decided, still do I appeal to you.
High Priest and Propher, advancing on the floor:

Illustrious Potentate and Council of Inquisitors, our cause is sorely tried, our Temple and our Shrine in jeopardy, the crescent turns perpendicular, point and paint, and spills its mystic blood; the Hourii weep and justice drops her scale, for spies have gained entrance into our sanctuary. Our safety demands judgment on them both. Let the first in fault and his fellow go to the block together.
The Inquisitors all arise and exclaim: To the block! To the headsman!
First and Second Ceremonial Masters seize culprit member, conduct him to the block, then seize candidate and conduct him to the west, strip him to his pants and shirt, same as culprit member, and bind his hands.
Illustrious Potentate: Let the traitor suffer first.
Culprit member is hurried to the block, blindfolded and is made to kneel, head on the block. A wax or carved head lies out of sight beside the block, covered with a black cloth.
High Priest and Prophet, holding up sceptre: And now may justice, mercy, and peace abide with you. Strike!
The axe falls, culprit tumbles on floor; executioner stoops, lifts black cloth from false head and covers head of culprit, seizes false head by the hair, raises it to view and exclaim: ....
Candidate is hoodwinked and made to approach the block and lay his head upon it.
High Priest and Prophet: Hold! executioner, mark this stranger's neck with the scimitar, but do not slay him.
The headsman slaps the candidate on the neck with a damp towel and he is at once taken by force, thrown into the hammock or canvas, carried and placed in a coffin at the east end of the catafalque, while the culprit member and the head are borne to an outer room.
Officers all return.
Illustrious Potentate: Thus doth the evil doer and the malefactor meet with "Nemesis" at the inquisition of the Mystic Shrine. It now becomes our duty to deposit the result of our vigilance in the tomb, isolated from the eyes of a meddling world; a fit abiding place for the remains of the unfaithful. Most Noble Oriental Guide, lest the secret clasp of our mystic catafalque be prematurely known to our Novices, let them be again hoodwinked, that their hearts may be taught secrecy and their tongues silence, ere they are entrusted with the secrets of the Mystic Shrine.
Candidates are blindfolded. The coffin is then stood on end, or placed at an angle with head on chair, at end of table or tomb nearest the east; the block and executioner are placed on the west side. The culprit is again elevated by the noose, skeleton and executioner at his side, the woman seated in the north; officers and members gathered around the table, standing silent and still; black cloth and frame removed from banquet table and all is in readiness ror the finale.
If it be possible to use red lights only during the entire third section, this should be done. Lights would be changed to clear at this point.
Illustrious Potentate: Now let us rejoice that the proud idol of iniquity has been laid in the dust, and that justice has triumphed over sin and error. Ever thus let our light so shine before men that they behold our good works.

Gong. Hoodwinks removed; music and general jubilee at banquet. Candidate is provided with food, and eats and drinks from coffin, as also the culprit upon the gallows, and the female in the north. After the feast the meeting is closed in the usual manner.

Mystic Shrine Ceremonial

My friends or Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, the order with which you have become united was founded by Mohammed and has as its background the trackless desert of Arabia and the fearless, devoted, and barbaric Arab

Arabic history and tradition tell us that after the fall and separation of Adam and Eve, they were united near the place now known as "Mecca."

Adam prayed for a Shrine where he might worship. In due time, a Tabernacle of Clouds was given to him.

After the death of Adam, the Tabernacle was withdrawn, and his son, Seth, erected a Temple of Stone in that place; later Ishmael, with his father Abraham, rebuilt on this sacred spot of the Tabernacle of Clouds, the Kaaba or the Sacred Temple of National Worship.

Each year the true followers of the faith would make a pilgrimage to Mecca to worship at the national shrine.

Because of the presence of a lawless element in the city of Mecca, many of these pilgrims were robbed, beaten, and even murdered. Therefore, in the year of A.D. 647, Mohammed organized a group of fearless men as an inquisition or vigilance committee, whose main objects were to protect the week, dispense justice, and punish the criminals.

The order was firmly established in 1698, and since then has become one of the most highly favored secret organizations in the world.

Because of the ruthless manner which the group used to accomplish its aims, its leaders had to be careful in their selection of new members. Therefore, severe tests and strong obligations were required of each candidate.

You have just passed through those tests and are now a Noble of the Mystic Shrine.

Today the Order is often referred to as the "Play-House" of Masonry, but I assure you that there is a serious side to all our activities.

The events or acts of our initiation, which to you may have seemed a bit of "horseplay," were given to either impress you with the ritual or teach you a lesson that will prove beneficial in later life.

Let us take a moment to examine some of these events.

1. Crossing the Hot Sands.

In crossing the Sands, you represented and imitated the early Pilgrims, who had to cross the Hot Sands of the Desert to reach Mecca.

2. The Rough Road and Sands

The rough roads and sands also were a test of your courage and fortitude.

You also are taught that nothing worthwhile is accomplished without overcoming obstacles and hardships.

3. The Bung-Hole Test

Here, you learn to be cautious in promising to do things that you later find impossible to do. You promised not to turn back, yet you no sooner start on your journey than you have to back out.

4. The Devil's Pass

At this point you were told to follow the example of other Nobles and sprinkle the Devil's Pass with a few drops of urine to commemorate the time and place where all who pass this way renounce the wiles and evils of the world and promise to worship at the Shrine of Islam.

Since this is a male organization, it is one way we have of making sure we are not admitting any impersonators into our ranks. Thus, you had to display your male organ to give a few drops.

5. Prairie Dog

After crossing the Hot Sands, in the cool of the evening, you were told to lie down and rest. While in this position, a little "dog" came along and urinated in your face.

This was to teach you that all Nobles are on the sante level. Some may have pretty Fazes, long titles, and hold high positions in the Order. But, as a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, he had the same little dog, or a similar one, urinate in his face as he did in yours.

6. Return of Drunk for Fez

The enactment of the "Drunk" scene has no ritualistic significance but is given to show you what could happen should you allow yourself to over-indulge in intoxicating beverages. We do not prohibit the use of (Camel's Milk), but we do not tolerate misconduct while wearing the Fez. You should conduct yourself at all times as a Noble, especially when before the public.

7. Boxing Bout

This act was, given in connection with the losing and finding of a Noble's pocketbook. If you recall, our Order was organized as a vigilance committee, whose object was to protect the weak, apprehend, and punish criminals. We exemplified this by searching and were rewarded for our trouble by finding the "Thief." We also learn an important lesson from this act: A Noble was falsely accused of talting the pocketbook.

We implore you not to be too hasty in making
"accusations", because they also may be false and you would be guilty of defaming the Noble's character.

Since a Noble had made the accusation and an argument had ensued, the Potentate ordered the dispute settled by a "Boxing Match", and each was allowed to select some one to take his part

Let this also teach you that should differences arise between you and another Noble, try to settle them between yourselves instead of carrying the feud to the outside.

8. The Hot Seat Ice; and Washing

Again your veracity is tested as you sing a song stating that "You Shall Not Be Moved"
", yet we find you rapidly
rising and moving.

The cooling off on a cake of ice is to remind you not to forget your obligation of the Third Degree.

But, should you become weak and indined to be a "Hot Papa," then we recommend and guarantee the "Ice Treatment" to cure your ailment.
The "Washing" is another instance of "Humility," as only a Noble would stoop to wash the "Hind Parts" of another Noble: doing something for him that had not been done for a long time.
9. Well of Zem Zem
When Hagar and her outcast son, Ishmael, were crossing the desert and were about to perish from thirst, an angel revealed to them a "Well" of pure water. This today is known as the Well of Zem Zem, sacred in the eyes of the Faithful, as they believe all who wash in this water become cleansed of their sins.
Since we only want the pure and hardy in our Order, we send you to the Well to be cleansed. Since the Arab travels on a Camel, we provided a Camel for you to ride.
However, because the Camel was a bit lazy, we had to whack him a little. Now, we humbly apologize if some of those blows meant for the Camel reached you, as we were only trying to help.
10. Eating Of The Dung
It is the custom of the tribes of Arabs that when crossing the desert, the Chief would go ahead and blaze the trail by dropping his dung.
The tribe following were so devoted to their Chief that they would eat his dung.
You witnessed a Noble using the "Pot"; then you were given a similar "Pot" and told to eat a mixture that appeared to be "Dung." You were also assured that the mixture contained nothing to hurt you.
This was a test of the courage and confidence you had in us as Nobles. Should a Noble or Officer give you advice and wise counsel, listen as he will not lead you astray, but will help you.
11. Grand Salaam
This "Test" was injected to instruct you on how to salute the Potentate. The Salaam is the way the Arab pays homage to his Superior, or shows respect, as we
"bow" or "raise our hats."
However, a lesson is also taught; having been told you were a Noble, and to bow to the Potentate, you bent over and placed your "Hind Parts" in the faces of the Nobles sitting behind you, and something happened to you. Let this teach you that should you suddenly receive an award, or a great sum of money, don't let it go to your head and show your "Hind Parts," as something may happen to you again.
12. Mock Trial and Hanging
This event was to impress upon you the purpose of our Order: namely, to apprehend, try, and execute all wrong doers.
When we searched and found the pocketbook, we apprehended the culprit. The Court scene ezemplifled, the trial, and the hanging, the execution.
The hanging also exemplified the signs used in our Salutation to the Assistant Rabban. Pulling up the rope three times and pulling in the slack.
13. Kissing the Black Stone

When Ishmael and his father, Abraham, built the National Shrine near the place where the Tabernade of Clouds han heen. an angel presented them with a dazzling White Stone, which they inserted in the wall of the Temple, and each year the worshipers would journey to Mecca to kiss this Stone. Today so many have kissed the Stone that it has become black, and is known as the Kaaba Stone or Black Stone of Casper.

Our Ritual stipulates that you, in token of your sincerity, seal your obligations by kissing the Black Stone of Casper.

No doubt many times you have stated that you would not "Kiss" anybody's "Hind Parts" to gain a favor. Well, it seems that you wanted to be a Shriner so bad that you were willing to kiss "The Black Stone of Casper."

"Shame on you."

Outline of Moslem Tests For Mystic Shrine Ceremonials

Moslem Tests Required

- Crossing the "Hot Sands" and the "Rough Road."
- The Devil's Pass.
- The Mock Trial and Hanging.
- Kissing the Black Stone.

Tests should be selected that impress the Novice with the necessity of having courage and humility, and with the importance of secrecy in the apprehension, arrest, judgment, and the execution of the lawless. He should also be admonished to remember the helpless and those in need.

Teats With Ritualistic Value

- Hot Sands and Rough Road.
- Devil's Pass.
- The Grand Salaam; changing method of approach, by instructing Novice on way to address Altar.
- Mock Trial and Hanging; execution of a traitor.
- Well of Zem Zem. (and Purifying Cavern) Fountain of

Mecca.

Tests for Entertainment (Lessons derived from each)

- Disguising member as a female.
- The Hot Seat, Electrified Plate, Carpet, or Camel.
- Eating of Dung or Drinking Toast to Potentate.
- Sitting on Cake of Ice or Wet Sponge.
- Boxing Bout.
- Novices, place in Canvas.
- Stolen Pocketbook; divulging secrets to a woman.
- Appearance of a Drunk.

Tests Used in The 1957 Imperial Council Ceremonial

- Crossing the Hot Sands and Rough Road.

Bung Hole Test.
Devil's Pass.
Prairie Dog.
Finding the stolen Pocketbook.
Ejection of the "Drunk."
Boring Rout.
Return of Drunk.
Hot Seat.
Ice Test.
Washing with Sponge.
Washing in Well of Zem Zem.
Eating of Dung.
Grand Salaam.
Mock Trial and Hanging.
Kissing of the Black Stone.

Closing Lecture describing each Test

Shrine Lecture on Initiation

Nobles, you have just completed your rugged trek across the hot sands of the desert in search of the great Moslem capital, Mecca, which unfolds in the wilderness of the Arabian desert, halfway between Yemen and Syria.

This city in which you now stand is the Holy City of Islam. This city is so situated in the Desert of Arabia that only by constant trials and tribulations; by passing through hazards, sand-storms, being beset by thieves and experiencing other catastrophies and surviving; were you able to walk therein. It is as if Nature had cooperated with the Moslem faith to guard the secrets of this hallowed spot from the unsanctified.

The Altar

In the heart of this city is the great Mosque, BAIT ALLAH (House of God) (the Altar), which is situated, according to Arab tradition, in the center of the world and immediately beneath the throne of the Almighty.

Upon the BAIT ALLAH, Altar, are a Bible and Koran.

The Koran is the unique history of our founder Mohammed. The work is absolutely unique in its origin and in its preservation, upon the authenticity of which no one has ever been able to cast a serious doubt. The Koran is the actual text as dictated by Mohammed himself, day by day and month by month, during his lifetime. It is the reflection of this master-mind, sometimes inartistic and self-contradictory, more often inspiring and lyrical, and always filled with great ideas which stand out as a whole.

The Black Stone

The Black Stone is really a number of fragments, twelve, to be exact, united by dark cement and

held together by a silver band. The whole is oval and about seven inches in diameter. What these stones or fragments are made of no one seems ever to have definitely established. Tradition asserts that the original stone came from Paradise and was handed by the Angel Gabriel to Abraham and Ishmael when they were building the Kaaba.

At the time it was snow white. Its present color is the outcome of having been kissed by the millions who yearly make the pilgrimage to Mecca. This, however, does not clear up the question of its composition The obstacle to so doing is that the vast malority of the men who go to Mecca accept the Black Stone as a holy emblem and do not worry about its geological history.

Those travelers who have examined the stone with curiosity as well as reverence differ in their opinions.

Some say that it is a chip of rock from the Abu Kobeis hills to the east of Mecca. Some say that it is a meteorite (a body, usually composed of iron, which has fallen upon the earth from outer space.) Others insist that it is of volcanic origin. None of this is of any real importance, in spite of the controversies which the subject has given rise to on various occasions.

Whatever it is made of, the stone has been there for a long time.

Mazimus Tyrius, writing in the second century after Christ, tells of Arabians praying to a God which they represent as a rectangular building in which there is a Black Stone. Some of you may ask, "Why do we use the Black Stone, and why is it so sacred to us?" In ancient times the sacred Stone held a place of great honor. The Black Rock of Mecca is still an object of Mohammedan veneration.

Stones have their own characteristics. If the Stone was a big one, it impressed people by its massiveness.

Perhaps it had some peculiar shape, looked like a man or a superman. If it was a little one, it could be carried in the pocket or set up on the tent. Little or big, It was solid, substantial; it did not change like a bush or a stream, and man had not made it. It was part of the creation, as it came fresh from the hand of God. And because this Black Stone was a present from Heaven, it has been revered by Shrinedom to this day.

Christ said to Peter, "Upon this rock I build my church." This allegorical statement was similar to our symbolic Masonry of today. Christ was impressed by the sincere, loyal and reverent way in which Peter had followed Him, so he likened to withstand the storms of time.

We, as true Arabs, should stand firm in our convictions that coming generations will have faith in us and build their tomorrow on our solid foundation of fraternal stability.

Mecca

Mecca, the City of Mohammed is known as the capital of Shrinedom. Mohammed chose this city as its capital because it was where the BENU KINANA had formed a settlement around the Kaaba, the sanctuary of a number of confederate tribes belonging to the district.

The feast annually observed in the days before the full moon of the month DHUL-HIJJA at Mecca presented strong attractions for all inhabitants in the vicinity round about.

Thus Mecca grew into a great meeting place.

The sanctuary and the Feast of Mecca caused it to grow into a great meeting p lace. Mecca unfolds in the wilderness of the Arabian desert, halfway between Yemen and Syria, in a land wasted by winds and secular rains, a aavage valley enclosed between two sharp and arid chains of rock mountains, making its position so secluded that not until the pilgrims are looking down into its streets do they know that they have arrived at the sacred city.

Long before Mohammed, Mecca was considered a sacred city because of the holy sanctuary in its center.

Kaaba

In the middle of the court stands the Kaaba. The Kaaba is a windowless, cube-shaped, flat-roofed building made of grey stone, forty feet high. Enveloping it is a huge black brocade cover, like a tea cozy, on which verses from the Koran are embroidered in gold. Every year the cover. which is called KESOUA, is renewed. The Kaaba is the focal point of Islam toward which Moslems all over the world turn five times a day to pray. The Kaaba has been an object of worship since the dawn of history; Arab legends suggest that the first Kaaba dates back to Adam. This one was destroyed by the Deluge, and another was rebuilt by Abraham and Ishmael. After that it fell into the hands of idolators who built other editions, until Mohammed came and restored its ancient dedication to one God.

Well of Zem Zem

Seven smaller buildings are disposed around the Kaaba. The most important contains the Well of Zem Zem. This is where Hagar, when she was expelled from the tents of Abraham through the instigation of Sarah, decided to die. Wandering over the desert, she had reached the stony valley of Mecca. Her provisions had given out; her gourd was empty. Frenziedly, she ran to and fro, looking for water. Then, nearly dead from thirst.

she flung herself on the parched ground and pushed her baby under a thorny acacia.

"Let me not see the death of my child," she cried, as she covered her head with her mantle. But, before what seemed inevitable happened, an angel appeared and showed Hagar that she was within walldng distance of a well. Hager could no longer walk, but she crawled over to the water, which saved her and Ishmael's lives. This Zem Zem is the same identical well, so called because of the bubbling sound it made when Hagar found it. If we are to believe the Book of Genesis, it is probably one of the oldest existing wells of the world.

As you journeyed from the main-land to the gates of Mecca, you were forced to cross the hot sands of the desert which was emblematical of the rough roads of life over which everyone must trod. Your way of life will not be smooth or clear always but rather hard, rough and rugged. The sandstorms of confusion may at times hide your pathway; the hot sands and scorching sun will cause you to be wearied in well-doing.

Thus, we are taught that only those who have the indisputable and necessary appreciation for the tenents of the Order, those persons who can exercise the cardinal principles of Justice, Prudence, Morality and Secrecy will be able to rest at the Temple of Mecca and drink from the Well of Zem Zem.

One must always bear in mind that Shrinedom, in its original concept, had as its purpose the great task of lending refinement, culture, education, and spiritual and moral integrity to those who practiced its principles and cherished its refined qualities; hence our whole ritualistic system is based upon these kindly attributes together with an unflinching faith in Allah.

Eating supposed dung is emblematical of the distasteful things in life. There are a lot of things in life we do not like, but if we are to succeed, we must be able to take the bitter with the sweet.

As you came down the Devil's Pass, your mind reflected to certain Masonic degrees in which deposits were required and differ only in what is deposited. The memory of what you deposited is to teach you to always renounce the wiles and evils of the world and promise to ever worship at the Shrine of Islam, where the air is rich with the wisdom of Allah, and refined by the deeds of venerable Patriarchs gone before.

Another important lesson was given you in the form of the cylinder into which you were asked to enter. The lesson taught is all-important to you as a man and a Mason, and it has its real application in life. You attempted to go through the cylinder but were forced to back down. This shows that "You cannot always carry out your aims and purposes in life, that situations, sometimes, will arise making it necessary for you to back down; but if you are a real man, you will never back down until every means at your disposal has been exhausted."

Washing the buttocks represents man when he is not able to care for himself, teaching you to always remember that you may some day become helpless in life (old age). When you were young, you could gird yourself and go when and where you pleased, but when Father Time takes his toll, you are helpless and must be cared for. Always remember the helpless and those in need.

The greatest lesson given to you today was that of the

"Dog," which expressed humility and meekness. One may be up today with evidences of prosperity abounding, but tomorrow the picture can be changed so that you can be down so low in health or other misfortunes that you cannot defend yourselves from any means of humiliation.

To this end we must respect the feelings of others and practice meekness and humility, "For he who humbles himself shall be exalted, but he that exalts himself shall be abased."

Today you met a man, whom you thought to be a woman, to teach you that you cannot always believe what you see. Deception is one of the greatest stumbling blocks of humanity. This lesson is to inform you to never try to be what you are not. Those of you who have lived a loose, wild, and careless life take heed to the lesson taught you today.

You are required to give the sign of taking in the slack,

because it alludes to a part of the obligation; this is to remind you to draw in the slack places in your lives, release the loose ends, and start anew as one who is now a member of the Nobility in the courtyard of Allah.

And, as you go forth as Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, carrying the colors of red, which word denotes charity to all mankind and more especially to the household of the faithful; combined with green, which denotes everlasting life, something that is forever growing in wisdom, strength and beauty;

be true to your trust, faithful to the cause and active In the uplift of manldnd that Allah may delight to extend His blessings upon you and yours forevermore.
Allah Be Praised.
Closing
Illustrious Potentate: Nobles, I am about to close this Temple. Noble Captain of the Guard, Captain of the Guard arises and salutes when ouf work has ceased in the Temple, what is your duty?
Captain of the Guard: To see that the Outer Guard stands instructed, and our sacred Temple is duly guarded.
Illustrious Potentate: Attend to that part of your duty and inform the Outer Guard that we are about to close ..
. Temple, and order him to permit no interruption while we are thus engaged.
Captain of the Guard instructs the Outer Guard, through the wicket, then gives the usual raps, which are replied to by the Outer Guard.
Captain of the Guard: Illustrious Potentate, our sacred Temple is duly guarded; the Outer Guard has your command.
Illustrious Potentate: By whom are we guarded, Noble Captain of the Guard?
Captain of the Guard: By a Noble of this degree, and a trusted officer, without, armed with a three-edged sword, the proper implement of his office, vigilantly assisted by the Captain of the Guard within.
Illustrious Potentate: Knowing we are under double guard, we will proceed to close. Noble Chief Rabban, what is the hour?
Chief Rabban: Illustrious Potentate, the night draws near, and it is time to rest. Even so approaches with the same rapid step, the night of death and the hour of judgment.
Illustrious Potentate: Noble Assistant Rabban, does any work of charity or benevolence remain undone that is within our powers to do?
Assistant Rabban: Illustrious Potentate, none.
Illustrious Potentate: Noble Chief Rabban, what remains to be done?
Chief Rabban: Illustrious Potentate, our duty everywhere ; our duty always; evil and wrong never.
Illustrious Potentate: Even so wrong and error reign over all the world, and only here and there truth and the right are victors. Chief Rabban, are you a Noble of die Mystic Shrine?
Chief Rabban: I was a Son of the Desert Illustrious Potentate: Then you are a Noble?
Chief Rabban: I sought protection under the dome of the Temple.
Illustrious Potentate: What induced you to become a Noble of the Mystic Shrine?
Chief Rabban: That I might worship the true God, respect virtue, protect the innocent, assist the distressed, and promote the inculcation of honor.
Illustrious Potentate: How gained you admission to the Temple?
Chief Rabban: I sought the commendation of a Noble, who recommended me to the Temple. My characier having been canvassed and coming within the bounds of good report, being worthy, and

not of treacherous or ignoble purpose, I espoused the cause of the Mystic Shrine, and my leception was sanctioned with the secret pass.
Illustrious Potentate: What are the cardinal principles of the Mystic Shrine?
Chief Rabban: Justice, prudence, fortitude, morality and secrecy. They are priceless when well observed, and are attributes which cannot be bought with paltry, sordid gold.
Illustrious Potentate: What binds you to ous Noble Order?
Chief Rabban: My sacred obligation.
Illustrious Potentate: Having assumed the sacred obligations of the Order, what did you do to make them more binding?
Chief Rabban: I was conducted to the purifying cavern, the Fountain of Mecca, where I washed my hands in innocency, thereby cleansing myself of all the snares of sin and vice that may have surrounded me; and In token of the sincerity of my Intentions I sealed the same by kissing the Black Stone of Casper.
Illustrious Potentate: It is well. Let us unite in singing our closing ode. ***
No more hot sands for us to tread, Our journey is ended now;
Before the grandest Potentate, We shall forever bow.
We shall forever bow,
Before the grandest Potentate, We shall forever bow.
All arise and form a circle, the Illustrious Potentate and the two Rabbans inside of the circle and in their proper relative positions, the High Priest and Prophet at the west of the Altar, inside.
Signs are given, led by the Illustrious Potentate.
Illustrious Potentate: Noble Oriental Guide, secure the Holy Bible and Koran.
The High Priest and Prophet then raises his band and says:
Our Father, who art in heaven, in whom we trust, and move and have our being; Oh, Thou who willest that man should enjoy all the benefits which Thy munificence holds out to him, deign to receive our prayers and to shed upon the Nobles of this Order Thy precious gifts. And now that we are about to quit this sacred retreat and mix again whiz the world, help us to serve Thee faithfully, devoting to Thee our hearts, obeying Thee in all things, remaining true to one another. Receive our thanks and gratitude for Thy favors and continue Thy goodness unto us now and forever. Amen.
All: So mote it be. Amen. Amen. Amen. Illustrious Potentate and Rabbans return to their stations, others remain standing about the altar.
Illustrious Potentate ** *
Chief Rabban ** *.
Assistant Rabban ** *
Illustrious Potentate: Go In peace, and may God and all the angels guard us in all the walks of life. But before we part, let us swear not to reveal any of this day's transactions that should not be known.
All: I swear. At same time giving sign or secrecy.

Illustrious Potentate: By virtue of the authority on me conferred, I now declare this ... Temple, No. ... of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America and Jurisdictions, Inc., closed.
Noble Captain of the Guard, you will inform the Outer Guard.
Captain of the Guard: The Outer Guard stands instructed.
Illustrious Potentate gives one (*) rap.

XXXII — SUBLIME PRINCE OF THE ROYAL SECRET.
[Master of Royal Secret.]

THE Occult Science of the Ancient Magi was concealed under the shadows of the Ancient Mysteries: it was imperfectly revealed or rather disfigured by the Gnostics: it is guessed at under the obscurities that cover the pretended crimes of the Templars; and it is found enveloped in enigmas that seem impenetrable, in the Rites of the Highest Masonry.
Magism was the Science of Abraham and Orpheus, of Confucius and Zoroaster. It was the dogmas of this Science that were engraven on the tables of stone by Hanoch and Trismegistus. Moses purified and re-veiled them, for that is the meaning of the word reveal. He covered them with a new veil, when he made of the Holy Kabalah the exclusive heritage of the people of Israel, and the inviolable Secret of its priests. The Mysteries of Thebes and Eleusis preserved among the nations some symbols of it, al-ready altered, and the mysterious key whereof was lost among the instruments of an ever-growing superstition. Jerusalem, the murderess of her prophets, and so often prostituted to the false gods of the Syrians and Babylonians, had at length in its turn lost the Holy Word, when a

Prophet announced to the Magi by the consecrated Star of Initiation, came to rend asunder the worn veil of the old Temple, in order to give the Church a new tissue of legends and symbols, that still and ever conceals from the Profane, and ever preserves to the Elect the same truths.
It was the remembrance of this scientific and religious Absolute, of this doctrine that is summed up in a word, of this Word, in fine, alternately lost and found again, that was transmitted to the Elect of all the Ancient Initiations: it was this same remembrance, preserved, or perhaps profaned in the celebrated Order of the Templars, that became for all the secret associations, of the Rose-Croix, of the Illuminati, and of the Hermetic Freemasons, the reason of their strange rites, of their signs more or less conventional, and, above all, of their mutual devotedness and of their power.
The Gnostics caused the Gnosis to be proscribed by the Christians, and the official Sanctuary was closed against the high initiation. Thus the Hierarchy of Knowledge was compromitted by the violences of usurping ignorance, and the disorders of the Sanctuary are reproduced in the State; for always, willingly or unwillingly, the King is sustained by the Priest, and it is from the eternal Sanctuary of the Divine instruction that the Powers of the Earth, to insure themselves durability, must receive their consecration and their force.
The Hermetic Science of the early Christian ages, cultivated also by Geber, Alfarabius, and others of the Arabs, studied by the Chiefs of the Templars, and embodied in certain symbols of the higher Degrees of Freemasonry, may be accurately defined as the Kabalah in active realization, or the Magic of Works. It has three analogous Degrees, religious, philosophical, and physical realization. Its religious realization is the durable foundation of the true Empire and the true Priesthood that rule in the realm of human intellect: its philosophical realization is the establishment of an absolute Doctrine, known in all times as the "HOLY Doctrine," and of which PLUTARCH, in the Treatise "de

Iside et Osiride," speaks at large but mysteriously; and of a Hierarchical instruction to secure the uninterrupted succession of Adepts among the Initiates: its physical realization is the discovery and application, in the Microcosm, or Little World, of the creative law that incessantly peoples the great Universe.

Measure a corner of the Creation, and multiply that space in proportional progression, and the entire Infinite will multiply its circles filled with universes, which will pass in proportional segments between the ideal and elongating branches of your Compass. Now suppose that from any point whatever of the Infinite above you a hand holds another Compass or a Square, the lines of the Celestial triangle will necessarily meet those of the Compass of Science, to form the Mysterious Star of Solomon.

All hypotheses scientifically probable are the last gleams of the twilight of knowledge, or its last shadows. Faith begins where Reason sinks exhausted. Beyond the human Reason is the Divine Reason, to our feebleness the great Absurdity, the Infinite Absurd, which confounds us and which we believe. For the Master, the Compass of Faith is above the Square of Reason; but both rest upon the Holy Scriptures and combine to form the Blazing Star of Truth.

All eyes do not see alike. Even the visible creation is not, for all who look upon it, of one form and one color. Our brain is a book printed within and without, and the two writings are, with all men, more or less confused.

The primary tradition of the single revelation has been preserved under the name of the "Kabalah," by the Priesthood of Israel. The Kabalistic doctrine, which was also the dogma of the Magi and of Hermes, is contained in the Sepher Yetsairah, the Sohar, and the Talmud. According to that doctrine, the Absolute is the Being, in which The Word Is, the Word that is the utterance and expression of being and life.

Magic is that which it is; it is by itself, like the mathematics; for it is the exact and absolute science of Nature and its laws.

Magic is the science of the Ancient Magi: and the Christian religion, which has imposed silence on the lying oracles, and put an end to the prestiges of the false Gods, itself reveres those Magi who came from the East, guided by a Star, to adore the Saviour of the world in His cradle.

Tradition also gives these Magi the title of "Kings;" because initiation into Magism constitutes a genuine royalty; and because the grand art of the Magi is styled by all the Adepts, "The Royal Art," or the Holy Realm or Empire, Sanctum Regnum.

The Star which guided them is that same Blazing Star, the image whereof we find in all initiations. To the Alchemists it is the sign of the Quintessence; to the Magists, the Grand Arcanum; to the Kabalists, the Sacred Pentagram. The study of this Pentagram could not but lead the Magi to the knowledge of the New Name which was about to raise itself above all names, and cause all

creatures capable of adoration to bend the knee.
Magic unites in one and the same science, whatsoever Philosophy can possess that is most certain, and Religion of the Infallible and the Eternal. It perfectly and incontestably reconciles these two terms that at first blush seem so opposed to each other; faith and reason, science and creed, authority and liberty.
It supplies the human mind with an instrument of philosophical and religious certainty, exact as the mathematics, and accounting for the infallibility of the mathematics themselves.
Thus there is an Absolute, in the matters of the Intelligence and of Faith. The Supreme Reason has not left the gleams of the human understanding to vacillate at hazard. There is an incontestable verity, there is an infallible method of knowing this verity, and by the knowledge of it, those who accept it as a rule may give their will a sovereign power that will make them the masters of all inferior things and of all errant spirits; that is to say, will make them the Arbiters and Kings of the World.
Science has its nights and its dawns, because it gives the intellectual world a life which has its regulated movements and its progressive phases. It is with Truths, as with the luminous rays: nothing of what is concealed is lost; but also, nothing of what is discovered is absolutely new. God has been pleased to give to Science, which is the reflection of His Glory, the Seal of His Eternity.

It is not in the books of the Philosophers, but in the religious symbolism of the Ancients, that we must look for the footprints of Science, and re-discover the Mysteries of Knowledge. The Priests of Egypt knew, better than we do, the laws of movement and of life. They knew how to temper or intensify action by re-action; and readily foresaw the realization of these effects, the causes of which they had determined. The Columns of Seth, Enoch, Solomon, and Hercules have symbolized in the Magian traditions this universal law of the Equilibrium; and the Science of the Equilibrium or balancing of Forces had led the Initiates to that of the universal gravitation around the centres of Life, Heat, and Light.
Thales and Pythagoras learned in the Sanctuaries of Egypt that the Earth revolved around the Sun; but they did not attempt to make this generally known, because to do so it would have been necessary to reveal one of the great Secrets of the Temple, that double law of attraction and radiation or of sympathy and antipathy, of fixedness and movement, which is the principle of Creation, and the perpetual cause of life. This Truth was ridiculed by the Christian Lactantius, as it was long after sought to be proven a falsehood by persecution, by Papal Rome.
So the philosophers reasoned, while the Priests, without replying to them or even smiling at their errors, wrote, in those Hieroglyphics that created all dogmas and all poetry, the Secrets of the Truth.
When Truth comes into the world, the Star of Knowledge advises the Magi of it, and they hasten to

adore the Infant who creates the Future. It is by means of the Intelligence of the Hierarchy and the practice of obedience, that one obtains Initiation. If the Rulers have the Divine Right to govern, the true Initiate will cheerfully obey.
The orthodox traditions were carried from Chaldea by Abraham. They reigned in Egypt in the time of Joseph, together with the knowledge of the True God. Moses carried Orthodoxy out of Egypt, and in the Secret Traditions of the Kabalah we find a Theology entire, perfect, unique, like that which in Christianity is most grand and best explained by the Fathers and the Doctors, the whole with a consistency and a harmoniousness which it is not as yet given to the world to comprehend. The Sohar, which is the Key of the Holy Books, opens also all the depths and lights, all the obscurities of the Ancient Mythologies and of the Sciences originally concealed in the Sanctuaries. It is true that the Secret of this Key must be known, to enable one to make use of it, and that for even the most penetrating intellects, not initiated in this Secret, the Sohar is absolutely incomprehensible and almost illegible.
The Secret of the Occult Sciences is that of Nature itself, the Secret of the generation of the Angels and Worlds, that of the Omnipotence of God.
"Ye shall be like the Elohim, knowing good and evil," had the Serpent of Genesis said, and the Tree of Knowledge became the Tree of Death.
For six thousand years the Martyrs of Knowledge toil and die at the foot of this tree, that it may again become the Tree of Life.
The Absolute sought for unsuccessfully by the insensate and found by the Sages, is the TRUTH, the REALITY, and the REASON of the universal equilibrium!

Equilibrium is the Harmony that results from the analogy of Contraries.
Until now, Humanity has been endeavoring to stand on one foot; sometimes on one, sometimes on the other.
Civilizations have risen and perished, either by the anarchical insanity of Despotism, or by the despotic anarchy of Revolt.
To organize Anarchy, is the problem which the revolutionists have and will eternally have to resolve. It is the rock of Sisyphus that will always fall back upon them. To exist a single instant, they are and always will be by fatality reduced to improvise a despotism without other reason of existence than necessity, and which, consequently, is violent and blind as Necessity. We escape from the harmonious monarchy of Reason, only to fall under the irregular dictatorship of Folly.
Sometimes superstitious enthusiasms, sometimes the miserable calculations of the materialist instinct have led astray the nations, and God at last urges the world on toward believing Reason and reasonable Beliefs.
We have had prophets enough without philosophy, and philosophers without religion; the blind

believers and the skeptics resemble each other, and are as far the one as the other from the eternal salvation.
In the chaos of universal doubt and of the conflicts of Reason and Faith, the great men and Seers have been but infirm and morbid artists, seeking the beau-ideal at the risk and peril of their reason and life.
Living only in the hope to be crowned, they are the first to do what Pythagoras in so touching a manner prohibits in his admirable Symbols; they rend crowns, and tread them under foot.
Light is the equilibrium of Shadow and Lucidity.
Movement is the equilibrium of Inertia and Activity.
Authority is the equilibrium of Liberty and Power.
Wisdom is equilibrium in the Thoughts, which are the scintillations and rays of the Intellect.
Virtue is equilibrium in the Affections: Beauty is harmonious proportion in Forms.
The beautiful lives are the accurate ones, and the magnificences of Nature are an algebra of graces and splendors.
Everything just is beautiful; everything beautiful ought to be just. – – – ––
There is, in fact, no Nothing, no void Emptiness, in the Universe. From the upper or outer surface of our atmosphere to that of the Sun, and to those of the Planets and remote Stars,

in different directions, Science has for hundreds of centuries imagined that there was simple, void, empty Space. Comparing finite knowledge with the Infinite, the Philosophers know little more than the apes! In all that "void" space are the Infinite Forces of God, acting in an infinite variety of directions, back and forth, and never for an instant inactive. In all of it, active through the whole of its Infinity, is the Light that is the Visible Manifestation of God. The earth and every other planet and sphere that is not a Centre of Light, carries its cone of shadow with it as it flies and flashes round in its orbit; but the darkness has no home in the Universe. To illuminate the sphere on one side, is to project a cone of darkness on the other; and Error also is the Shadow of the Truth with which God illuminates the Soul.
In all that "Void," also, is the Mysterious and ever Active Electricity, and Heat, and the Omnipresent Ether. At the will of God the Invisible becomes Visible. Two invisible gases, combined by the action of a Force of God, and compressed, become and remain the water that fills the great basins of the seas, flows in the rivers and rivulets, leaps forth from the rocks or springs, drops upon the earth in rains, or whitens it with snows, and bridges the Danubes with ice, or gathers in vast reservoirs in the earth's bosom. God manifested fills all the extension that we foolishly call Empty Space and the Void.
And everywhere in the Universe, what we call Life and Movement results from a continual conflict of Forces or Impulses. Whenever that active antagonism ceases, the immobility and inertia, which are

Death, result.
If, says the Kabalah, the Justice of God, which is Severity or the Female, alone reigned, creation of imperfect beings such as man would from the beginning have been impossible, because Sin being congenital with Humanity, the Infinite Justice, measuring the Sin by the Infinity of the God offended against, must have annihilated Humanity at the instant of its creation; and not only Humanity but the Angels, since these also, like all created by God and less than perfect, are sinful. Nothing imperfect would have been possible. If, on the other hand, the Mercy or Benignity of God, the Male, were in no wise counteracted, Sin would go unpunished, and the Universe fall into a chaos of corruption.
Let God but repeal a single principle or law of chemical attraction or sympathy, and the antagonistic forces equilibrated in matter, released from constraint, would instantaneously expand all that we term matter into impalpable and invisible gases, such as water or steam is, when, confined in a cylinder and subjected to an immense degree of that mysterious force of the Deity which we call "heat," it is by its expansion released.
Incessantly the great currents and rivers of air flow and rush and roll from the equator to the frozen polar regions, and back from these to the torrid equatorial realms. Necessarily incident to these great, immense, equilibrated and beneficent movements, caused by the antagonism of equatorial heat and polar cold, are the typhoons, tornadoes, and cyclones that result from conflicts between the rushing currents. These and the benign trade-winds result from the same great law. God is omnipotent; but effects without causes are impossible, and these effects cannot but sometimes be evil. The fire would not warm, if it could not also burn, the human flesh. The most virulent poisons are the most sovereign remedies, when given in due proportion. The Evil is the shadow of the Good, and inseparable from it.

The Divine Wisdom limits by equipoise the Omnipotence of the Divine Will or Power, and the result is Beauty or Harmony. The arch rests not on a single column, but springs from one on either side. So is it also with the Divine Justice and Mercy, and with the Human Reason and Human Faith.
That purely scholastic Theology, issue of the Categories of Aristotle and of the Sentences of Peter Lombard, that logic of the syllogism which argues instead of reasoning, and finds a response to every thing by subtilizing on terms, wholly ignored the Kabalistic dogma and wandered off into the drear vacuity of darkness. It was less a philosophy or a wisdom than a philosophical automaton, replying by means of springs, and uncoiling its theses like a wheeled movement. It was not the human verb but the monotonous cry of a machine, the inanimate speech of an Android. It was the fatal precision of mechanism, instead of a free application of rational necessities. ST. THOMAS AQUINAS crushed with a single blow all this scaffolding of words built one upon the other, by proclaiming the eternal Empire of Reason, in that magnificent sentence, "A thing is not just because GOD wills it; but GOD wills it because it is just." The proximate consequence of this proposition,

arguing from the greater to the less, was this: "A thing is not true because ARISTOTLE has said it; but ARISTOTLE could not reasonably say it unless it was true. Seek then, first of all, the TRUTH and JUSTICE, and the Science of ARISTOTLE will be given you in addition."
It is the fine dream of the greatest of the Poets, that Hell, become useless, is to be closed at length, by the aggrandizement of Heaven; that the problem of Evil is to receive its final solution, and Good alone, necessary and triumphant, is to reign in Eternity. So the Persian dogma taught that AHRIMAN and his subordinate ministers of Evil were at last, by means of a Redeemer and Mediator, to be reconciled with Deity, and all Evil to end. But unfortunately, the philosopher forgets all the laws of equilibrium, and seeks to absorb the Light in a splendor without shadow, and movement in an absolute repose that would be the cessation of life. So long as there shall be a visible light, there will be a shadow proportional to this Light, and whatever is illuminated will cast its cone of shadow. Repose will never be happiness, if it is not balanced by an analogous and contrary movement. This is the immutable law of Nature, the Eternal Will of the JUSTICE which is GOD.
The same reason necessitates Evil and Sorrow in Humanity, which renders indispensable the bitterness of the waters of the seas. Here also, Harmony can result only from the analogy of contraries, and what is above exists by reason of what is below. It is the depth that determines the height; and if the valleys are filled up, the mountains disappear: so, if the shadows are effaced, the Light is annulled, which is only visible by the graduated contrast of gloom and splendor, and universal obscurity will be produced by an immense dazzling. Even the colors in the Light only exist by the presence of the shadow: it is the threefold alliance of the day and night, the luminous image of the dogma, the Light made Shadow, as the Saviour is the Logos made man: and all this reposes on the same law, the primary law of creation, the single and absolute law of Nature, that of the distinction and harmonious ponderation of the contrary forces in the universal equipoise.
The two great columns of the Temple that symbolizes the Universe are Necessity, or the omnipotent Will of God, which nothing can disobey, and Liberty, or the free-will of His creatures. Apparently and to our human reason antagonistic, the same Reason is not

incapable of comprehending how they can be in equipoise. The Infinite Power and Wisdom could so plan the Universe and the Infinite Succession of things as to leave man free to act, and, foreseeing what each would at every instant think and do, to make of the free-will and free-action of each an instrument to aid in effecting its general purpose. For even a man, foreseeing that another will do a certain act, and in nowise controlling or even influencing him may use that action as an instrument to effect his own purposes.
The Infinite Wisdom of God foresees what each will do, and uses it as an instrument, by the exertion of His Infinite Power, which yet does not control the Human action so as to annihilate its freedom. The result is Harmony, the third column that up-holds the Lodge. The same Harmony results from

the equipoise of Necessity and Liberty. The will of God is not for an instant defeated nor thwarted, and this is the Divine Victory; and yet He does not tempt nor constrain men to do Evil, and thus His Infinite Glory is unimpaired. The result is Stability, Cohesion, and Permanence in the Universe, and undivided Dominion and Autocracy in the Deity. And these, Victory, Glory, Stability, and Dominion, are the last four Sephiroth of the Kabalah.

I Am, God said to Moses, that which Is, Was and Shall forever Be. But the Very God, in His unmanifested Essence, conceived of as not yet having created and as Alone, has no Name. Such was the doctrine of all the ancient Sages, and it is so expressly declared in the Kabalah. יהוה is the Name of the Deity manifested in a single act, that of Creation, and containing within Himself, in idea and actuality, the whole Universe, to be invested with form and be materially developed during the eternal succession of ages. As God never WAS NOT, so He never THOUGHT not, and the Universe has no more had a beginning than the Divine Thought of which it is the utterance, – no more than the Deity Himself. The duration of the Universe is but a point halfway upon the infinite line of eternity; and God was not inert and uncreative during the eternity that stretches behind that point. The Archetype of the Universe did never not exist in the Divine Mind. The Word was in the BEGINNING with God, and WAS God. And the Ineffable NAME is that, not of the Very Essence but of the Absolute, manifested as Being or Existence. For Existence or Being, said the Philosophers, is limitation; and the Very Deity is not limited nor defined, but is all that may possibly be, besides all that is, was, and shall be.

Reversing the letters of the Ineffable Name, and dividing it, it becomes bi-sexual, as the word יה, Yud-He or JAH is, and discloses the meaning of much of the obscure language of the Kabalah, and is The Highest of which the Columns Jachin and Boaz are the symbol. "In the image of Deity," we are told, "God created the Man; Male and Female created He them:" and the writer, symbolizing the Divine by the Human, then tells us that the woman, at first contained in the man, was taken from his side. So Minerva, Goddess of Wisdom, was born, a woman and in armor, of the brain of Jove; Isis was the sister before she was the wife of Osiris, and within BRAHM, the Source of all, the Very God, without sex or name, was developed MAYA, the Mother of all that is. The WORD is the First and Only- begotten of the Father; and the awe with which the Highest Mysteries were regarded has imposed silence in respect to the Nature of the Holy Spirit. The Word is Light, and the Life of Humanity.

It is for the Adepts to understand the meaning of the Symbols.

Return now, with us, to the Degrees of the Blue Masonry, and for your last lesson, receive the explanation of one of their Symbols.

You see upon the altar of those Degrees the SQUARE and the COMPASS, and you remember how they lay upon the altar in each Degree.

The SQUARE is an instrument adapted for plane surfaces only, and therefore appropriate to

Geometry, or measurement of the Earth, which appears to be, and was by the Ancients supposed to be, a plane. The COMPASS is an instrument that has relation to spheres and spherical surfaces, and is adapted to spherical trigonometry, or that branch of mathematics which deals with the Heavens and the orbits of the planetary bodies.

The SQUARE, therefore, is a natural and appropriate Symbol of this Earth and the things that belong to it, are of it, or concern it. The Compass is an equally natural and appropriate Symbol of the Heavens, and of all celestial things and celestial natures.

You see at the beginning of this reading, an old Hermetic Symbol, copied from the "MATERIA PRIMA" of Valentinus, printed at Franckfurt, in 1613, with a treatise entitled "AZOTH." Upon it you see a Triangle upon a Square, both of these contained in a circle; and above this, standing upon a dragon, a human body, with two arms only, but two heads, one male and the other female. By the side of the male head is the Sun, and by that of the female head, the Moon, the crescent within the circle of the full moon. And the hand on the male side holds a Compass, and that on the female side, a Square.

The Heavens and the Earth were personified as Deities, even among the Aryan Ancestors of the European nations of the Hindus, Zends, Bactrians, and Persians; and the Rig Veda Sanhita contains hymns addressed to them as gods. They were deified also among the Phœnicians; and among the Greeks OURANOS and GEA, Heaven and Earth, were sung as the most ancient of the Deities, by Hesiod.

It is the great, fertile, beautiful MOTHER, Earth, that produces, with limitless profusion of beneficence, everything that ministers to the needs, to the comfort, and to the luxury of man. From her teeming and inexhaustible bosom come the fruits, the grain, the flowers, in their season. From it comes all that feeds the animals which serve man as laborers and for food. She, in the fair Springtime, is green with abundant grass, and the trees spring from her soil, and from her teeming vitality take their wealth of green leaves. In her womb are found the useful and valuable minerals; hers are the seas the swarm with life; hers the rivers that furnish food and irrigation, and the mountains that send down the streams which swell into these rivers; hers the forests that feed the sacred fires for the sacrifices, and blaze upon the domestic hearths. The EARTH, therefore, the great PRODUCER, was always represented as a female, as the MOTHER, – Great, Bounteous, Beneficent Mother Earth.

On the other hand, it is the light and heat of the Sun in the Heavens, and the rains that seem to come from them, that in the Springtime make fruitful this bountifully-producing Earth, that restore life and warmth to her veins, chilled by Winter, set running free her streams, and beget, as it were, that greenness and that abundance of which she is so prolific. As the procreative and generative agents, the Heavens and the Sun have always been regarded as male; as the generators that fructify the Earth and cause it to produce.

Morals and Dogma – by Albert Pike

The Hermaphroditic figure is the Symbol of the double nature anciently assigned to the Deity, as Generator and Producer, as BRAHM and MAYA among the Aryans, Osiris and Isis among the Egyptians. As the Sun was male, so the Moon was female; and Isis was both the sister and the wife of Osiris. The Compass, therefore, is the Hermetic Symbol of the Creative Deity, and the Square of the productive Earth or Universe.

From the Heavens come the spiritual and immortal portion of man; from the Earth his material and mortal portion. The Hebrew Genesis says that YEHOUAH formed man of the dust of the Earth, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life. Through the seven planetary spheres, represented by the Mystic Ladder of the Mithriac Initiations, and it by that which Jacob saw in his dream (not with three, but with seven steps), the Souls, emanating from the Deity, descended, to be united to their human bodies; and through those seven spheres they must re-ascend, to return to their origin and home in the bosom of the Deity.

The COMPASS, therefore, as the Symbol of the Heavens, represents the spiritual, intellectual, and moral portion of this double nature of Humanity; and the SQUARE, as the Symbol of the Earth, its material, sensual, and baser portion.

"Truth and Intelligence," said one of the Ancient Indian Sects of Philosophers, "are the Eternal attributes of God, not of the individual Soul, which is susceptible both of knowledge and ignorance, of pleasure and pain; therefore God and the individual Soul are distinct:" and this expression of the ancient Nyaya Philosophers, in regard to Truth, has been handed down to us through the long succession of ages, in the lessons of Freemasonry, wherein we read, that "Truth is a Divine Attribute, and the foundation of every virtue."

"While embodied in matter," they said, "the Soul is in a state of imprisonment, and is under the influence of evil passions; but having, by intense study, arrived at the knowledge of the elements and principles of Nature, it attains unto the place of TIE ETERNAL; in which state of happiness, its individuality does not cease."

The vitality which animates the mortal frame, the Breath of Life of the Hebrew Genesis, the Hindu Philosophers in general held, perishes with it; but the Soul is divine, an emanation of the Spirit of God, but not a portion of that Spirit. For they compared it to the heat and light sent forth from the Sun, or to a ray of that light, which neither lessens nor divides its own essence.

However created, or invested with separate existence, the Soul, which is but the creature of the Deity, cannot know the mode of its creation, nor comprehend its own individuality. It cannot even comprehend how the being which it and the body constitute, can feel pain, or see, or hear. It has pleased the Universal Creator to set bounds to the scope of our human and finite reason, beyond which it cannot reach; and if we are capable of comprehending the mode and manner of the creation or generation of the Universe of things, He has been pleased to conceal it from us by an impenetrable veil, while the words used to express the act have no other definite meaning than that He caused that Universe to commence to exist.

It is enough for us to know, what Masonry teaches, that we are not all mortal; that the Soul or Spirit, the intellectual and reasoning portion of ourself, is our Very Self, is not subject to decay and dissolution, but is simple and immaterial, survives the death of the body, and is capable of immortality; that it is also capable of improvement and advancement, of increase of knowledge of the things that are divine, of becoming wiser and better, and more and more worthy of immortality; and that to become so, and to help to improve and benefit others and all our race, is the noblest ambition and highest glory that we can entertain and attain unto, in this momentary and imperfect life.

In every human being the Divine and the Human are intermingled. In every one there are the Reason and the Moral sense, the passions that prompt to evil, and the sensual appetites. "If ye live after the flesh, ye shall die," said Paul, writing to the Christians at Rome, "but if ye through the spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." "The flesh lusteth against the spirit, and the spirit against the flesh," he said, writing to the Christians of Galatia, "and these are contrary the one to the other, so that ye cannot do the things that ye would." "That which I do, I do not willingly do," he wrote to the Romans, "for what I wish to do, that I do not do, but that which I hate I do. It is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. To will, is present with me; but how to perform that which is good, I find not. For, I do not do the good that I desire to do; and the evil that I do not wish to do, that I do do. I find then a law, that when I desire to do good, evil is present with me; for I delight in the law of God after the inward man, but I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members... So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin."

Life is a battle, and to fight that battle heroically and well is the great purpose of every man's existence, who is worthy and fit to live at all. To stem the strong currents of adversity, to advance in despite of all obstacles, to snatch victory from the jealous grasp of fortune, to become a chief and a leader among men, to rise to rank and power by eloquence, courage, perseverance, study, energy, activity, discouraged by no reverses, impatient of no delays, deterred by no hazards; to win wealth, to subjugate men by our intellect, the very elements by our audacity, to succeed, to prosper, to thrive; – thus it is, according to the general understanding, that one fights well the battle of life. Even to succeed in business by that boldness which halts for no risks, that audacity which stakes all upon hazardous chances; by the shrewdness of the close dealer, the boldness of the unscrupulous operator, even by the knaveries of the stock-board and the gold-room; to crawl up into place by disreputable means or the votes of brutal ignorance, – these also are deemed to be among the great successes of life.

But that which is the greatest battle, and in which the truest honor and most real success are to be

won, is that which our intellect and reason and moral sense, our spiritual natures, fight against our sensual appetites and evil passions, our earthly and material or animal nature. Therein only are the true glories of heroism to be won, there only the successes that entitle us to triumphs.

In every human life that battle is fought; and those who win elsewhere, often suffer ignominious defeat and disastrous rout, and discomfiture and shameful downfall in this encounter.
You have heard more than one definition of freemasonry. The truest and the most significant you have yet to hear. It is taught to the entered Apprentice, the Fellow-Craft, and the Master, and it is taught in every Degree through which you have advanced to this. It is a definition of what Freemasonry is, of what its purposes and its very essence and spirit are; and it has for every one of us the force and sanctity of a divine law, and imposes on every one of us a solemn obligation.
It is symbolized and taught, to the Apprentice as well as to you, by the COMPASS and the SQUARE; upon which, as well as upon the Book of your Religion and the Book of the law of the Scottish Freemasonry, you have taken so many obligations. As a Knight, you have been taught it by the Swords, the symbols of HONOR and DUTY, on which you have taken your vows: it was taught you by the BALANCE, the symbol of all Equilibrium, and by the CROSS, the symbol of devotedness and self-sacrifice; but all that these teach and contain is taught and contained, for Entered Apprentice, Knight, and Prince alike, by the Compass and the Square.
For the Apprentice, the points of the Compass are beneath the Square. For the Fellow- Craft, one is above and one beneath. For the Master, both are dominant, and have rule, control, and empire over the symbol of the earthly and the material.
FREEMASONRY is the subjugation of the Human that is in man by the Divine; the Conquest of the Appetites and Passions by the Moral Sense and the Reason; a continual effort, struggle, and warfare of the Spiritual against the Material and Sensual. That victory, when it has been achieved and secured, and the conqueror may rest upon his shield and wear the well-earned laurels, is the true HOLY EMPIRE.
To achieve it, the Mason must first attain a solid conviction, founded upon reason, that he hath within him a spiritual nature, a soul that is not to die when the body is dissolved, but is to continue to exist and to advance toward perfection through all the ages of eternity, and to see more and more clearly, as it draws nearer unto God, the Light of the Divine Presence. This the Philosophy of the Ancient and Accepted Rite teaches him; and it encourages him to persevere by helping him to believe that his free will is entirely consistent with God's Omnipotence and Omniscience; that He is not only infinite in power, and of infinite wisdom, but of infinite mercy, and an infinitely tender pity and love for the frail and imperfect creatures that He has made.
Every Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, from the first to the thirty- second, teaches by its ceremonial as well as by its instruction, that the noblest purpose of life and the

highest duty of a man are to strive incessantly and vigorously to win the mastery of everything, of that which in him is spiritual and divine, over that which is material and sensual; so that in him also, as in the Universe which God governs, Harmony and Beauty may be the result of a just equilibrium.

You have been taught this in those Degrees, conferred in the Lodge of Perfection, which inculcate particularly the practical morality of Freemasonry. To be true, under whatever temptation to be false; to be honest in all your dealings, even if great losses should be the consequence; to be charitable, when selfishness would prompt you to close your hand, and deprivation of luxury or comfort must follow the charitable act; to judge justly and impartially, even in your own case, when baser impulses prompt you to do an injustice in order that you may be benefited or justified; to be tolerant, when passion prompts to intolerance and persecution; to do that which is right, when the wrong seems to promise larger profit; and to wrong no man of anything that is his, however easy it may seem so to enrich yourself; – in all these things and others which you promised in those Degrees, your spiritual nature is taught and encouraged to assert its rightful dominion over your appetites and passions.

The philosophical Degrees have taught you the value of knowledge, the excellence of truth, the superiority of intellectual labor, the dignity and value of your soul, the worth of great and noble thoughts; and thus endeavored to assist you to rise above the level of the animal appetites and passions, the pursuits of greed and the miserable struggles of ambition, and to find purer pleasure and nobler prizes and rewards in the acquisition of knowledge, the enlargement of the intellect, the interpretation of the sacred writing of God upon the great pages of the Book of Nature.

And the Chivalric Degrees have led you on the same path, by showing you the excellence of generosity, clemency, forgiveness of injuries, magnanimity, contempt of danger, and the paramount obligations of Duty and Honor. They have taught you to over-come the fear of death, to devote yourself to the great cause of civil and religious Liberty, to be the Soldier of all that is just, right, and true; in the midst of pestilence to deserve your title of Knight Commander of the Temple, and neither there nor Elsewhere to desert your post and flee dastard-like from the foe. In all this, you assert the superiority and right to dominion of that in you which is spiritual and divine. No base fear of danger or death, no sordid ambitions or pitiful greeds or base considerations can tempt a true Scottish Knight to dishonor, and so make his intellect, his reason, his soul, the bond-slave of his appetites, of his passions, of that which is material and animal, selfish and brutish in his nature.

It is not possible to create a true and genuine Brotherhood upon any theory of the baseness of human nature: nor by a community of belief in abstract propositions as to the nature of the Deity, the number of His persons, or other theorems of religious faith: nor by the establishment of a system of association simply for mutual relief, and by which, in consideration of certain payments regularly made, each becomes entitled to a certain stipend in case of sickness, to attention then,

and to the ceremonies of burial after death.
There can be no genuine Brotherhood without mutual regard, good opinion and esteem, mutual charity, and mutual allowance for faults and failings. It is those only who learn habitually to think better of each other, to look habitually for the good that is in each other, and expect, allow for, and overlook, the evil, who can be Brethren one of the other, in any true sense of the word. Those who gloat over the failings of one another, who think each other to be naturally base and low, of a nature in which the Evil predominates and excellence is not to be looked for, cannot be even friends, and much less Brethren.

No one can have a right to think meanly of his race, unless he also thinks meanly of himself. If, from a single fault or error, he judges of the character of another, and takes the single act as evidence of the whole nature of the man and of the whole course of his life, he ought to consent to be judged by the same rule, and to admit it to be right that others should thus uncharitably condemn himself. But such judgments will become impossible when he incessantly reminds himself that in every man who lives there is an immortal Soul endeavoring to do that which is right and just; a Ray, however small, and almost inappreciable, from the Great Source of Light and Intelligence, which ever struggles upward amid all the impediments of sense and the obstructions of the passions; and that in every man this ray continually wages war against his evil passions and his unruly appetites, or, if it has succumbed, is never wholly extinguished and annihilated. For he will then see that it is not victory, but the struggle that de-serves honor; since in this as in all else no man can always command success. Amid a cloud of errors, of failure, and short-comings, he will look for the struggling Soul, for that which is good in every one amid the evil, and, believing that each is better than from his acts and omissions he seems to be, and that God cares for him still, and pities him and loves him, he will feel that even the erring sinner is still his brother, still entitled to his sympathy, and bound to him by the indissoluble ties of fellowship.
If there be nothing of the divine in man, what is he, after all, but a more intelligent animal? He hath no fault nor vice which some beast hath not; and therefore in his vices he is but a beast of a higher order; and he hath hardly any moral excellence, perhaps none, which some animal hath not in as great a degree, – even the more excellent of these, such as generosity, fidelity, and magnanimity. Bardesan, the Syrian Christian, in his Book of the Laws of Countries, says, of men, that "in the things belonging to their bodies, they maintain their nature like animals, and in the things which belong to their minds, they do that which they wish, as being free and with power, and as the likeness of God"; and Meliton, Bishop of Sardis, in his Oration to Antoninus Cæsar, says, "Let Him, the ever-living God, be always present in thy mind; for thy mind itself is His likeness, for it, too, is invisible and impalpable, and without form... As He exists forever, so thou also, when thou shalt have put off this which is visible and corruptible, shalt stand before Him forever, living and endowed

with knowledge."
As a matter far above our comprehension, and in the Hebrew Genesis the words that are used to express the origin of things are of uncertain meaning, and with equal propriety may be translated by the word "generated," "produced," "made," or "created," we need not dispute nor debate whether the Soul or Spirit of man be a ray that has emanated or flowed forth from the Supreme Intelligence, or whether the Infinite Power hath called each into existence from nothing, by a mere exertion of Its will, and endowed it with immortality, and with intelligence like unto the Divine Intelligence: for, in either case it may be said that in man the Divine is united to the Human. Of this union the equilateral Triangle inscribed within the Square is a Symbol.
We see the Soul, Plato said, as men see the statue of Glaucus, recovered from the sea wherein it had lain many years – which viewing, it was not easy, if possible, to discern what was its original nature, its limbs having been partly broken and partly worn and by

defacement changed, by the action of the waves, and shells, weeds, and pebbles adhering to it, so that it more resembled some strange monster than that which it was when it left its Divine Source. Even so, he said, we see the Soul, deformed by innumerable things that have done it harm, have mutilated and defaced it. But the Mason who hath the ROYAL SECRET can also with him argue, from beholding its love of wisdom, its tendency toward association with what is divine and immortal, its larger aspirations, its struggles, though they may have ended in defeat, with the impediments and enthralments of the senses and the passions, that when it shall have been rescued from the material environments that now prove too strong for it, and be freed from the deforming and disfiguring accretions that here adhere to it, it will again be seen in its true nature, and by degrees ascend by the mystic ladder of the Spheres, to its first home and place of origin.
The ROYAL SECRET, of which you are Prince, if you are a true Adept, if knowledge seems to you advisable, and Philosophy is, for you, radiant with a divine beauty, is that which the Sohar terms The Mystery of the BALANCE. It is the Secret of the UNIVERSAL EQUILIBRIUM: –
– Of that Equilibrium in the Deity, between the Infinite Divine WISDOM and the Infinite Divine POWER, from which result the Stability of the Universe, the unchangeableness of the Divine Law, and the Principles of Truth, Justice, and Right which are a part of it; and the Supreme Obligation of the Divine Law upon all men, as superior to all other law, and forming a part of all the laws of men and nations.
– Of that Equilibrium also, between the Infinite Divine JUSTICE and the Infinite Divine MERCY, the result of which is the Infinite Divine EQUITY, and the Moral Harmony or Beauty of the Universe. By it the endurance of created and imperfect natures in the presence of a Perfect Deity is made possible; and for Him, also, as for us, to love is better than to hate, and Forgiveness is wiser than Revenge or Punishment.

– Of that Equilibrium between NECESSITY and LIBERTY, between the action of the DIVINE Omnipotence and the Free-will of man, by which vices and base actions, and ungenerous thoughts and words are crimes and wrongs, justly punished by the law of cause and consequence, though nothing in the Universe can happen or be done contrary to the will of God; and without which co-existence of Liberty and Necessity, of Free-will in the creature and Omnipotence in the Creator, there could be no religion, nor any law of right and wrong, or merit and demerit, nor any justice in human punishments or penal laws.
– Of that Equilibrium between Good and Evil, and Light and Darkness in the world, which assures us that all is the work of the Infinite Wisdom and of an Infinite Love; and that there is no rebellious demon of Evil, or Principle of Darkness co-existent and in eternal controversy with God, or the Principle of Light and of Good: by attaining to the knowledge of which equilibrium we can, through Faith, see that the existence of Evil, Sin, Suffering, and Sorrow in the world, is consistent with the Infinite Goodness as well as with the Infinite Wisdom of the Almighty.
Sympathy and Antipathy, Attraction and Repulsion, each a Force of nature, are contraries, in the souls of men and in the Universe of spheres and worlds; and from the action and opposition of each against the other, result Harmony, and that movement which is the Life

of the Universe and the Soul alike. They are not antagonists of each other. The force that repels a Planet from the Sun is no more an evil force, than that which attracts the Planet toward the central Luminary; for each is created and exerted by the Deity, and the result is the harmonious movement of the obedient Planets in their elliptic orbits, and the mathematical accuracy and unvarying regularity of their movements.
– Of that Equilibrium between Authority and Individual Action which constitutes Free Government, by settling on immutable foundations Liberty with Obedience to Law, Equality with Subjection to Authority, and Fraternity with Subordination to the Wisest and the Best: and of that Equilibrium between the Active Energy of the Will of the Present, expressed by the Vote of the People, and the Passive Stability and Permanence of the Will of the Past, expressed in constitutions of government, written or unwritten, and in the laws and customs, gray with age and sanctified by time, as precedents and authority; which is represented by the arch resting on the two columns, Jachin and Boaz, that stand at the portals of the Temple builded by Wisdom, on one of which Masonry sets the celestial Globe, symbol of the spiritual part of our composite nature, and on the other the terrestrial Globe, symbol of the material part.
– And, finally, of that Equilibrium, possible in ourselves, and which Masonry incessantly labors to accomplish in its Initiates, and demands of its Adepts and Princes (else unworthy of their titles), between the Spiritual and Divine and the Material and Human in man; between the Intellect, Reason, and Moral Sense on one side, and the Appetites and Passions on the other, from which result the

Harmony and Beauty of a well-regulated life.
Which possible Equilibrium proves to us that our Appetites and Senses also are Forces given unto us by God, for purposes of good, and not the fruits of the malignancy of a Devil, to be detested, mortified, and, if possible, rendered inert and dead: that they are given us to be the means by which we shall be strengthened and incited to great and good deeds, and are to be wisely used, and not abused; to be controlled and kept within due bounds by the Reason and the Moral Sense; to be made useful instruments and servants, and not permitted to become the managers and masters, using our intellect and reason as base instruments for their gratification.
And this Equilibrium teaches us, above all, to reverence ourselves as immortal souls, and to have respect and charity for others, who are even such as we are, partakers with us of the Divine Nature, lighted by a ray of the Divine Intelligence, struggling, like us, toward the light; capable, like us, of progress upward toward perfection, and deserving to be loved and pitied, but never to be hated nor despised; to be aided and encouraged in this life-struggle, and not to be abandoned nor left to wander in the darkness alone, still less to be trampled upon in our own efforts to ascend.
From the mutual action and re-action of each of these pairs of opposites and contraries results that which with them forms the Triangle, to all the Ancient Sages the expressive symbol of the Deity; as from Osiris and Isis, Har-oeri, the Master of Light and Life, and the Creative Word. At the angles of one stand, symbolically, the three columns that support the Lodge, itself a symbol of the Universe, Wisdom, Power, and Harmony or Beauty. One of these symbols, found on the Tracing-Board of the Apprentice's Degree, teaches this last lesson of Freemasonry. It is the right-angled Triangle, representing man, as a union of the

spiritual and material, of the divine and human. The base, measured by the number 3, the number of the Triangle, represents the Deity and the Divine; the perpendicular, measured by the number 4, the number of the Square, represents the Earth, the Material, and the Human; and the hypothenuse, measured by 5, represents that nature which is produced by the union of the Divine and Human, the Soul and the Body; the squares, 9 and 16, of the base and perpendicular, added together, producing 25, the square root whereof is 5, the measure of the hypothenuse.
And as in each Triangle of Perfection, one is three and three are one, so man is one, though of a double nature; and he attains the purposes of his being only when the two natures that are in him are in just equilibrium; and his life is a success only when it too is a harmony, and beautiful, like the great Harmonies of God and the Universe.
Such, my Brother, is the TRUE WORD of a Master Mason; such the true ROYAL SECRET, which makes possible, and shall at length make real, the HOLY EMPIRE of true Masonic Brotherhood.
GLORIA DEI EST CELARE VERBUM. AMEN.